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HAMBURG EXPRESS IN COLLISION

Amsterdam, To-day. Nine were killed and 20 injured yesterday afternoon when the Hamburg express crashed into the rear of a local train standing in the station of a Berlin suburb.

No explanation of the mishap is forthcoming.

Another mishap occurred on the Simplon Orient express nearing Belgrade. Fire broke out in one of the coaches and spread rapidly before the express was halted. The mail coach was saved after it had taken fire.—Reuter.

BRUTAL NAZI PURGE IN BAVARIA

London, To-day. Reports from Vienna indicate that reprisals following the Munich bomb explosion are being conducted ruthlessly in Bavaria.

The reports state that more than 5,000 arrests directly connected with the explosion have been made and IZATION (OF WHICH MR. JOHN L. that the prisoners are being kept awake at night by the noise of shots, indicating that executions are continuous.

Austrian sources declare that a purge is in progress after the style of TERM NEXT YEAR. June, 1934, except that the new-purge is far more brutal.—Reuter.

ITALY AND REICH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

BRUSSELS, TO-DAY. SPANISH AND ITALIAN DEMAR- NO PUPPETS
CHES TO THE REICH ASSERTING CHES TO THE REICH ASSERTING THAT BOTH COUNTRIES ARE IN-TERESTED IN RESPECT TO HOL-LAND'S AND BELGIUM'S NEU-TRALITY, THE NEWSPAPER "LE

SOIR" STATES:— "Although difficial information is lacking, we know from a good source that the demarche was not drafted in common between Rome and Ma-

"Both Ambassadors visited the Wil- | reliably reported. helmstrasse on the same day was most categorical."—Havas.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Bagel, To-day.

It is reliably reported that Germany is considering the dissolution of the German-American Bund, following the trial of the Bund leader, Fritz Kuhn.

The trial entirely discredited the Nazi organization in the United States.—Havas

YUGO-SLAV ANTI-NAZI SCENES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Belgrade, To-day. Yuglosav students have demonstrated against the anti-Czech measures in Prague and the execution of nine Czech students.

The German Legation was heavily guarded, while the demonstrators cheered and sang anthems in front of the former Czech Legation.— Havas.

C.I.O. FOR ROOSEVELT THIRD TERM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

BY A RESOLUTION VOTED BY A HUGE MAJORITY, THE NEW YORK STATE CONVENTION OF THE COM-| MITTEE OF INDUSTRIAL ORGAN-LEWIS' IS THE LEADER) HAS DE-CIDED TO SUPPORT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S CANDIDACY FOR THE WHITE HOUSE SHOULD HE DECIDED TO RUN FOR A THIRD

The resolution further declared that the New Deal's social reforms must be carried out, while President Roosevelt is the best qualified person to pursue the nation's social re-organiz-

The convention represented 900,000 workers of the State of New York. -Havas,

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day. Germany is vainly attempting to create a "puppet government" in Poland, it is

The presidency has been offered to Monday—but while Italy's notification | several personalities, notably | M. was cautious and indirect, Spain's Stefan Starzynski, Mayor of Warsaw, who has been allowed to pursue his duties under the supervision of the German police:

All have refused.—Havas.

BRUSSELS PAPER RAIDED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Brussels, To-day.

The Belgian police have raided the offices of the Communist newspaper "Voix du Peuple," publication of which is forbidden.—Havas.

WEATHER FORECAST:-- East winds, morderate; cloudy.

AGAIN BALKAN ZONE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

THE SOVIETS HAVE outmanoeuvred the Nazis in the Balkans just as they did in the Baltic, in the opinion of observers here, commenting on the change in the Nazi attitude towards the Balkan neutral bloc.

Germany has recently been favouring the formation of such a bloc, under the Italian aegis, thus closing the way for Russia to the Mediterranean.

Soviet Russia, however, although, outwardly maintaining good relations with the Balkan countries, has brought sufficient pressure on Germany, to compel her to inform the Balkan states that "Berlin does not favour North Delian Delia their diplomatic activity, which is not friendly to Russia, Germany's friend."

Another warning is understood to have been given by Berlin to Rumania and Bulgaria against the formation of a Balkan bloc supported by Turkey, as Ankara maintains close relations with Paris and London.

In the presence of a new diploma-. tic defeat, Germany is attempting to divert the activity of her dangerous ally towards other regions, notably Asia.—Havas.

ARTILLERY FIRE INTENSIFIED

Paris, To-day. An official communique states that

artillery fire increased last evening. A small local action by Nazi patrols was repulsed with a loss of six killed. One German prisoner was taken. — Reuter.

AGES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day. Warsaw's Jewish section is being transformed into a Ghetto worse than anything known in the Middle Ages, German reports from occupied Poland indicate.

The official Deutsche Nachrichten Buro, the German news agency, reports from Crakow:--

"Civilian Governor Hans Frank has ordered the construction of barricades for the isolation of Warsaw's ghetto, thus not only separating 'Argans' and Jeys but also isolating a dangerous area of disease and epidemics."---Havas.





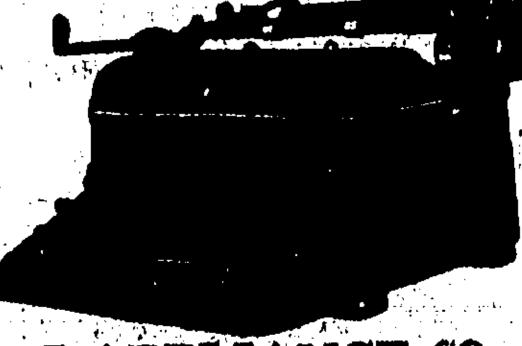
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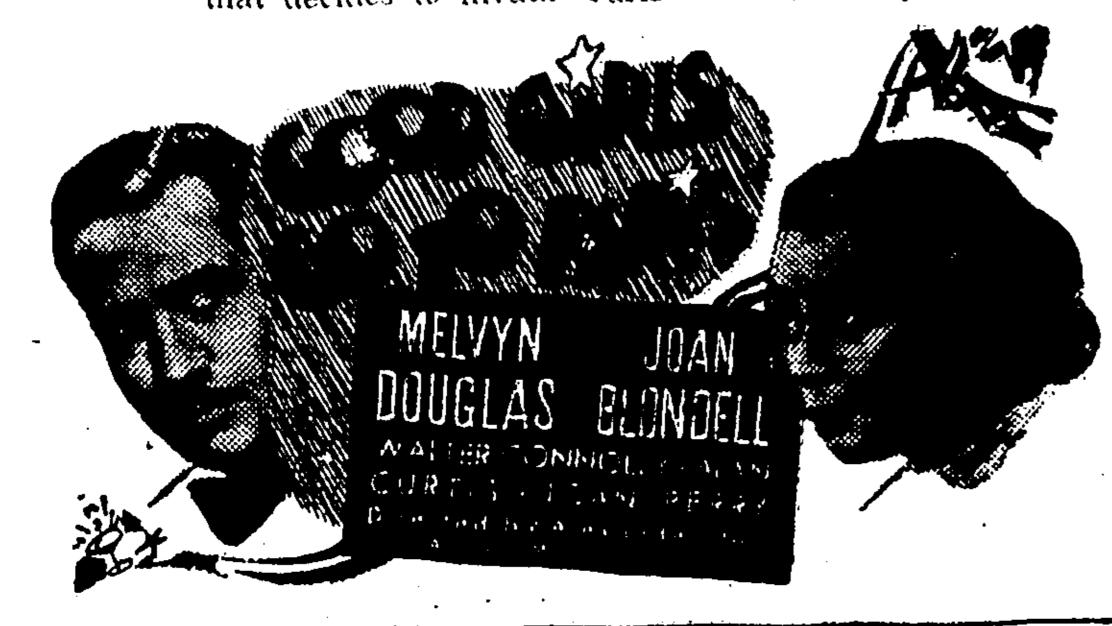
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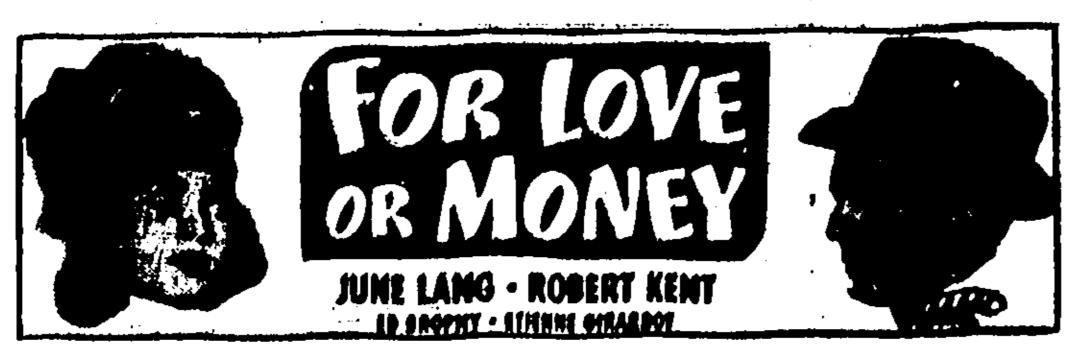
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QUEST FOR WAY

London, To-day.

THE WAR SEEMS to be going on in every chancellery, legation and council room but with little incident on land, sea or in the air, said the BBC military observer over Daventry yesterday.

There is talk on both sides and threats from one but little apparent action.

One has the impression that Hitler and Ribbentrop are questing in every direction, working out plan after plan only to b told by their soldiers and airmen that the plan will not work.

Neutrals are less alarmed than they | at the next full moon. were, while the Allies are covering up, unleashing a left poke to the body | The R.A.F. has carried out a series every now and again.

navy, which is fighting the enemy back over 100 detailed photographs of steadily and remorsely and with wear- | objectives, including aerodromes, as ing effect. The really vital sphere at trophies. the moment is the sea and it is there that the enemy is losing most deci- ed, save in one case, when a German sively.

tivity. The most interesting event, of from the heavy artillery of the Macourse, has been the raid on the ginot Line.—Reuter. Shetlands by four aircraft, which dropped bombs doing only trifling BRITISH damage, on November 13. This was the first raid in which bombs actually dropped on British soil.

AN EXPERIMENT

It was probably an experiment to see how the bombers carried their loads over that long distance and how they fared. As they got away, the German propaganda machine has made much of the flight and circulated the quite unfounded tale that two British flying boats were destroyed and a cruiser "probably" damaged.

That word "probably" is an unusually neat touch, as it almostbut not quite—gives an air of reality to a cock-and-bull story. There may be some more air raids | News.

DAYLIGHT RAIDS

of daylight raids over Germany, not Needless to say, this "left" is the without loss, it is true, but bringing

On land, nothing much has happenbattalion broke into the French out-There is also rather more air ac- post line only to come under costly fire

POL[CEMAN ARRESTED

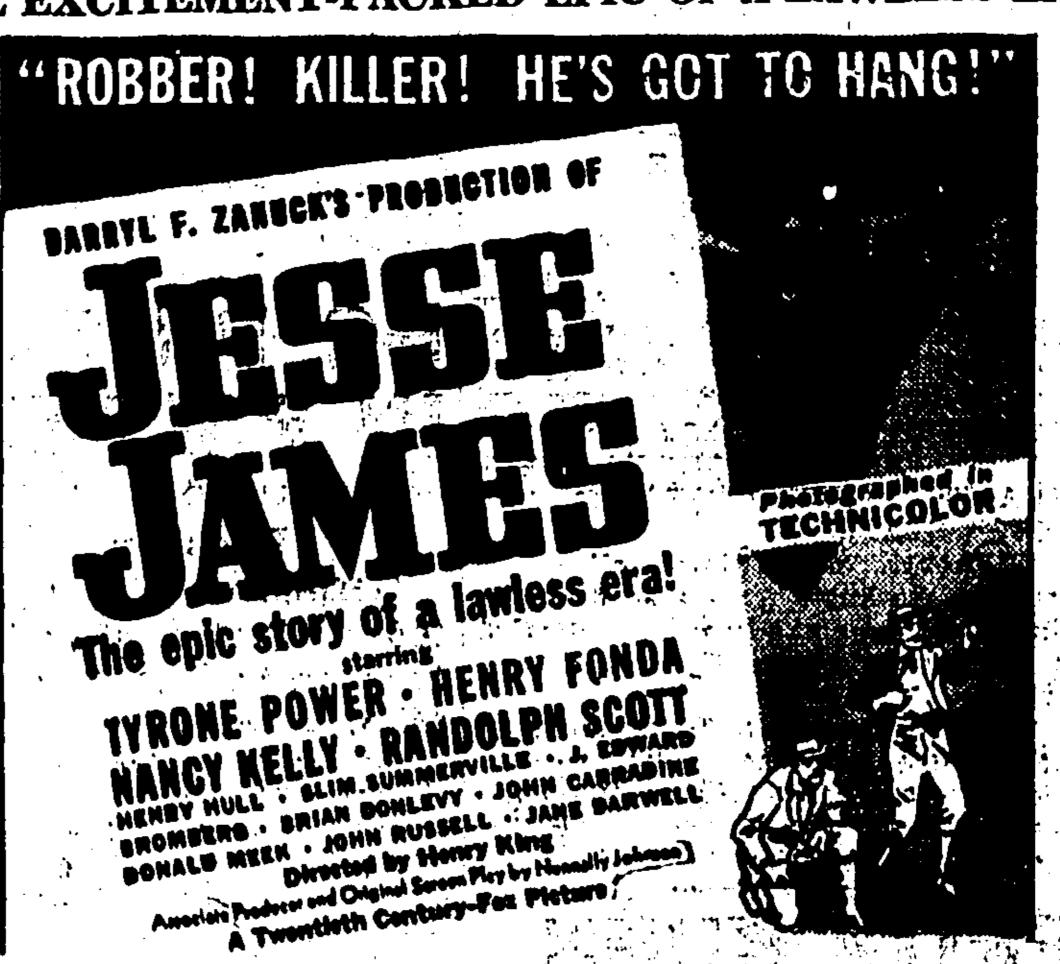
Chungking, To-day. A British policeman patrolling near the Japanese Naigai Wata Cotton Mills in Robinson Road, Shanghai, was arrested by the Japanese authorities yesterday, according to a Shanghai report.

He had not been released late last night despite the protests of the Shanghai Municipal Police.—Central



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ETERNAL TRIANGLE MURDER PLOT ALLEGATIONS

ACCUSED OF HAVING endeavoured to persuade or proposed to persons to commit murder on September 28, and between September 28 and October 8, Li Wo, 32, pleaded not guilty before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl | MacGregor, at the Sessions this morning.

It is alleged that he solicited four to strike the husband. The husband persons, in all, to murder Mak Chui- dodged the blow and blew a police was paying attention.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Counsel, conducted the case for the On October 8, two men visited the Crown. Accused was not legally re- Police and the following facts came presented.

The jury was composed of Messrs. C. A. Lopez, Yu Tse-ling, Wong Kui-Shing-kwong.

September 28 and October 8, he tried | fight. to get two others to commit the murder.

Mak Chi-chuen, a salesman, living at No. 62, Tung Choi Street, had place and there met Ng Kwong, to been married to Chan Loi for 10 whom he detailed a proposition. Acyears and had four children. His cused and Ng Kwong met in a tea work made it necessary for him to house that evening and there discussbe away from home from 8 a.m. to ed the matter. Other meetings fol-11 p.m. daily.

HOME EARLY

On July 20, the husband returned home unexpectedly and found his wife and accused sitting on a stool on the verandah, close together chatting. When accused left the flat without a word, Mak asked his wife who the man was and was told that he was her cousin. He pointed out that they had been married over 10 years and he had never before heard of a cousin. A quarrel arose and a friend or got into a bus too soon. there was subsequent quarrelling. The wife went out more often night, and one night stayed away altogether.

On October 8, Mak went to a tea! house in Mongkok in the early morn-Accused asked what proof Mak had girdle.

R-K-O.

_ Picture

chuen, a salesman, to whose wife he whistle. Accused ran out of the tea

VISIT TO POLICE

to light.

On September 27, a man named Ma N. A. Tenoff, (foreman), Teng Ting, So was asked by accused to get two persons as he wanted to "strike" kwong, Wong Kai-chi and Sing some-one. Arrangements were made for two men to meet accused, who Mr. Prentis said that the Crown said he wanted to get a man out of case was that accused on September | the way. At this one said that that ! 28 tried to get two men to commit was not his line. He would not mind the murder, and that between helping accused to beat some-one, or

> Accused said he would pay them, but they replied: Not even for \$10,000. Accused went next day to another lowed and it was agreed that Ng Kwong was to be paid \$70, ten next morning, and the rest later.

> Ng Kwong later told accused that he needed an assistant to carry out the murder and suggested a fellow lodger, Ng Hoi. Ng Hoi was also paid \$10.

WATCH KEPT

Several watches were kept for the husband, when he left work, but the men were unable to do anything, either because he was accompanied by

On October 8, the men told accused they had no weapons and he purchased two files.

In the meantime, the men realised !! that the business was serious and reported to the Police. On instructions ing and found his wife and accused they kept their appointment. Accused in a cubicle drinking tea. Mak was annoyed by their late arrival and scolded his wif: and she left. He then said he had left the files at home. told accused that she was his kit fat He went back for them and, on his wife and warned him to keep away. return, was arrested with them in his

that she was his wife. He attempted | The case is proceeding.

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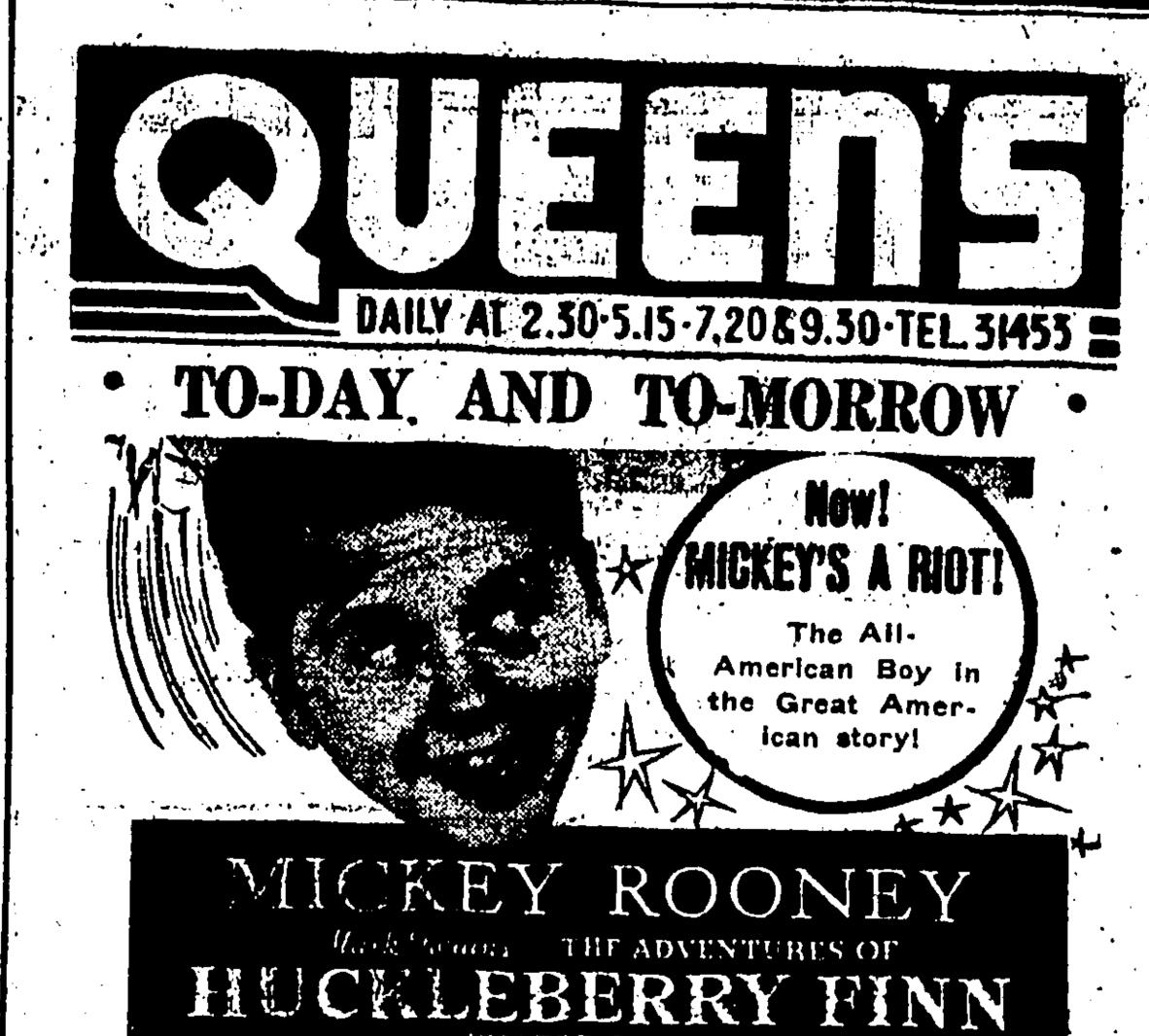
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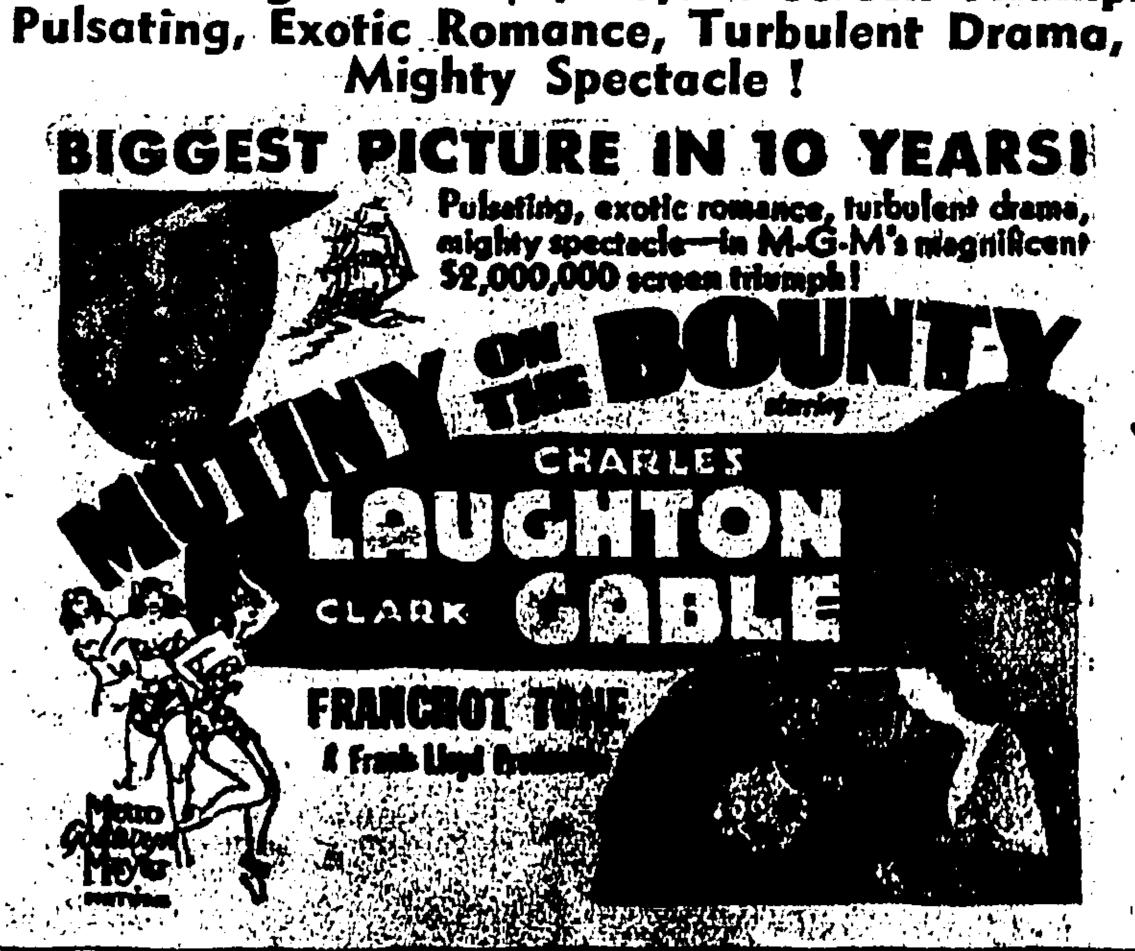
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JAPANESE CROSS THE KWANGSI BORDER: HEAVY AIR BOMBING OF NANNING

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day. IT IS OFFICIALLY confirmed that Japanese troops crossed the border into Kwangsi yesterday morn- IN GERMAN ing, this being the first time foreign troops have set foot on Kwangsi soil.

Two raids by some 20 Japanese planes were made yesterday afternoon on Nanning. High explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped at random and many buildings were demolished.

Fires were still blazing furiously away late last night according to the latest reports received here.

The Japanese have advanced from Taitse (The Big Temple) but are encountering organised resistance from Kwangsi troops.

A large number of Chinese troops are reported manning the defence lines outside Nanning and troops are pouring into that sector from Kweilin.

PAT IN KWEILIN

General Pai Chung-tsi is now in Kweilin after a brief visit to Nanning yesterday morning. He is in charge of the defence operations.

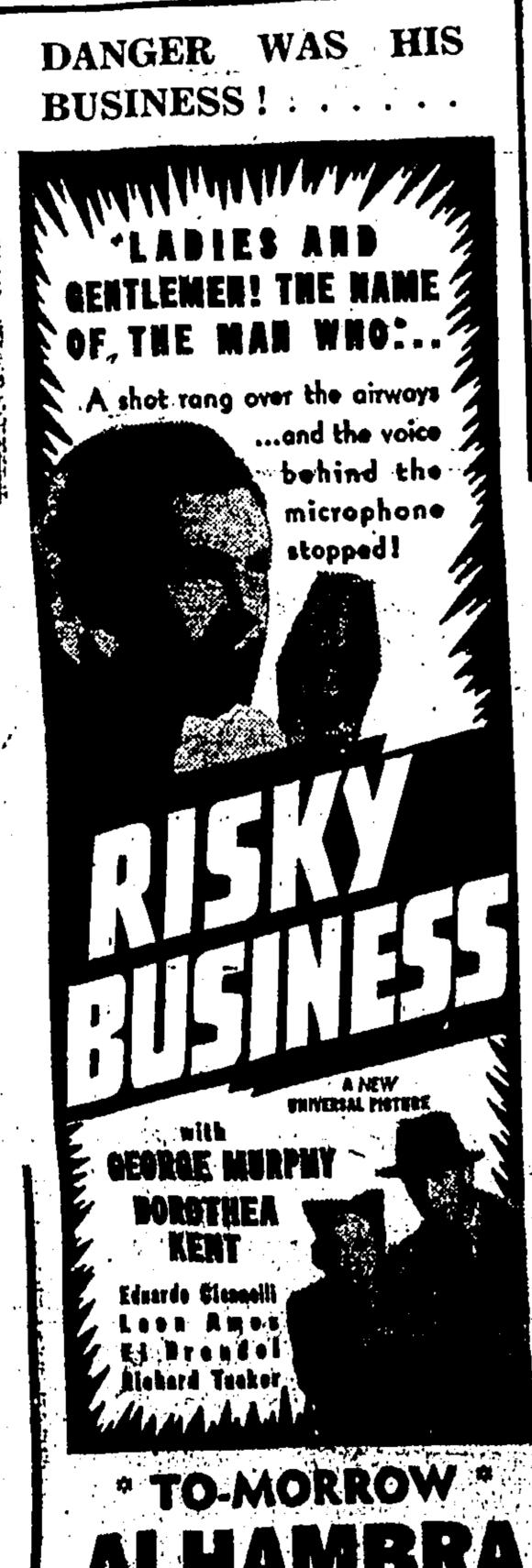
All roads between Nanning and Kweilin are being demolished by farmers acting under instructions of the military authorities. — Our Own Correspondent.

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day.

The Japanese were reported last night to be about 25 miles from Nanning. Cavalry units are reported advancing rapidly with the support of aircraft. — Our Own Correspondent.

CHINESE HOLD OUT

Kweilin, To-day. Week-end reports received at military headquarters declare that the situation on the Yamchow-Fongshing sector has been stabilised.



GERMAN AIR CRASH ITALY

London, To-day. A German military machine crashed yesterday in Northern

No explanation of its presence in the area is forthcoming.

Two of the four members of the crew were arrested by the Italian authorities, but the other two escaped and are the object of a watch on the border.—Reu-

In addition to stubborn Chinese resistance, fog and drizzling rain deterred the Japanese northward advance. The total Japanese landing forces at Yamchow, Fongshing, and nearby points are now estimated at 4,500.

Severe fighting is raging at several villages immediately north of Yamand Fongshing, including chow Tatsehu, Wongwutun, Pingngantu and Yentseping, where the defenders are holding out.

To the west of Yamchow, Japanese forces lost heavily. The Chinese coastal positions at Laitoutsui were pulverised by severe Japanese naval bombardments. — Central News.

JAPANESE BOMB NANNING

Kweilin, To-day. Nanning, former capital of Kwangsi, was twice bombed by Japanese planes yesterday afternoon. Many explosives and incendiaries were dumped on the city, causing unascertained damaged. — Central News.

CLUMSY GERMAN PROPAGANDA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

PARIS TO-DAY. NEW PROOF OF THE CLUMSI-NESS, AND UTTER DISRESPECT FOR TRUTH, OF GERMAN PROPA-GANDA IS GATHERED FROM GER-MAN REPORTS ON THE JAPANESE OPERATIONS IN SOUTH CHINA.

German propaganda asserted yesterday that the Japanese, after occupying Fangcheng, crossed the border of French Indo-China and penetrated 50 miles inside French territory.

Despite the obvious absurdity of the news it is pointed out that reports Indo-China show French is not threatened that the territory and that operations are not taking place on the Indo-China border. --Havas.

SHIPS

Paris, To-day. four weeks of the tonnage of German merchantmen captured on the high seas by our patrols exceeded by several thousand tons the tonnage of French merchantmen lost through enemy action."-Reuter.

BREAKDOWN TRADE TALK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day. German-Rumanian trade talks are believed to have reached a deadlock. Some observers fear that Germany will take very serious measures to compel Rumania-to enter the Reich's economic system.

Government quarters, however, are fore leaving the front: "We are winconfident that Germany has closed ning the war comfortably." herself to every possibility of direct pressure against Bucharest.

oil and wheat resources only through the British line went into the French threatening the occupation of the area. country but such a threat could be of the Soviet.

Both eventualities appear highly improbable. — Havas.

NO INCREASE IN FREIGHT RATES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day. The Pan-American Economic and Financial Conference decided despite the war situation in Europe not to raise the freight transportation rates between American ports.-Havas.

Rome, To-day. Reports that Italy had informed the German Government that she was interested in preserving the neutrality of Belgium and Holland, are authoritatively denled here.—Reuter.

LESSONS OF LAST WAR TO GOOD PROFIT

London, To-day. Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Minister, who has been visiting the B.E.F. in France, said in an interview be-

Mr. Hore-Belisha, who spent practically all the hours of daylight on Germany could control Rumanian Saturday visiting various sectors of

Before he returns to England, it is carried out only after the occupation reported, he will see M. Daladier, the of Hungary or with the co-operation French Premier, will visit the headquarters of General Gamelin, Com-

mander-in-Chief of all forces. The War Minister said: "The spirit of troops is noteworthy. I have been impressed with the efficiency of administrative arrangements.

"I think the lessons of the last war have been put to very good profit. Transport which broke down in the last war has been exceptionally well run. The general smoothness with that which everything is running is most satisfactory. The activity on our section of front has also impressed me." — British Wireless.

CIVILISATION IN DEBT OF FRANCE, MR

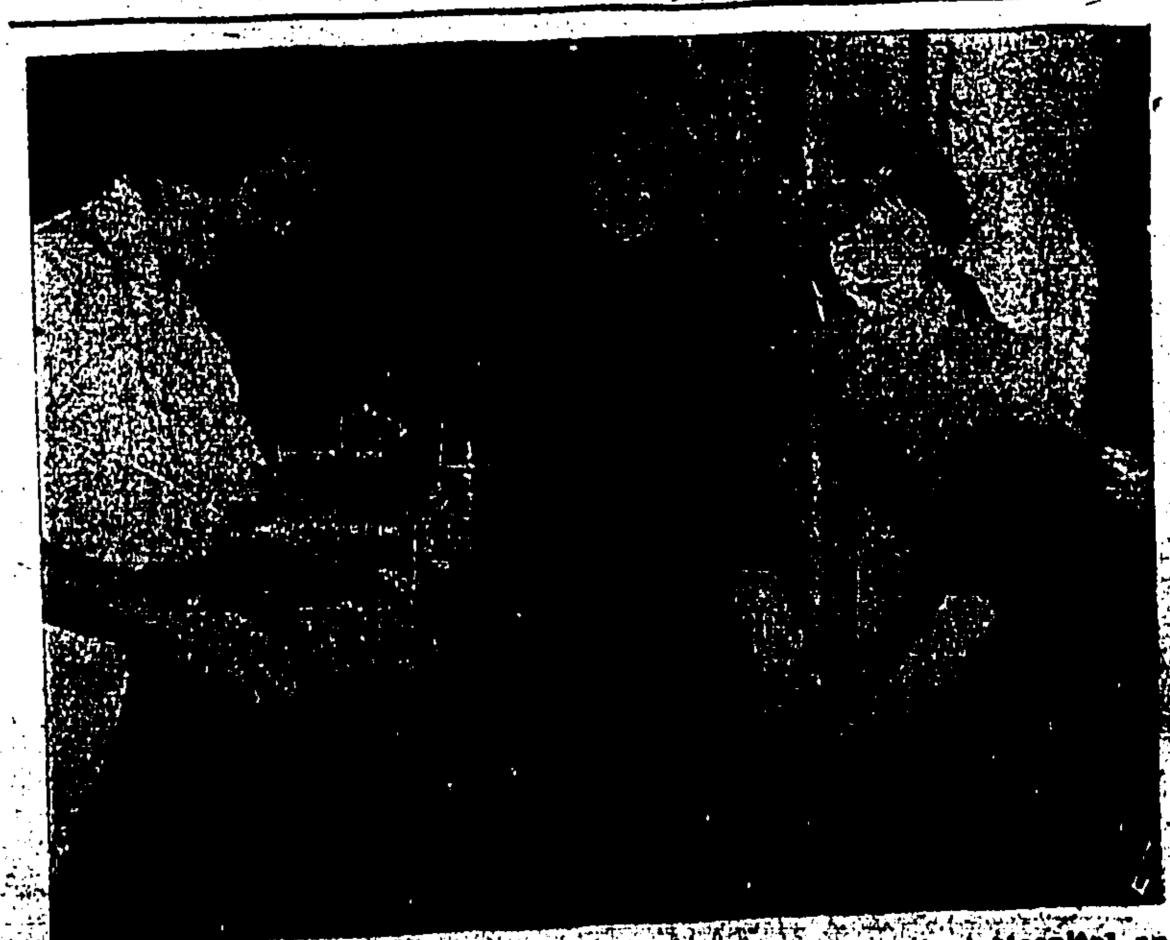
London, To-day. MR. ANTHONY EDEN, the Dominions Secretary, broadcasting in French last night, referred to his recent visit to the front:

Mr. Eden said: "The dominant note wherever went was the quiet determination of males and females, young and old, civilians and soldiers.

"Everywhere was a fixity of purpose and a determination this time to make an end of recurrent wars of aggression.

"No one doubts final victory, and with it a new page of history must be turned."

As regards the Maginot Line, the patience and thoroughness with which France had completed her defences and trained her armies, thus not for the first time in history France had placed all civilisation in her debt. — Reuter.



Her Majesty the Queen during a vielt to the Central Hospital and Supply Bervice for the British Red Cross in London. (Copyright. By

"HITLER'S WORST ENEMY" PREDICTS SPRING REVOLT

Paris, To-day. "GERMANY WILL SOON BE ready for an anti-Hitler revolution," declared Otto Strasser, known as "Hitler's worst enemy," in an interview with the "Paris Soir."

Strasser said he was given four hours to leave Switzerland after the Munich explosion because the Germans were demanding his extradition, describing him as the instigator of the crime.

Strasser, who has been the leader of the anti-Nazi Black Front since the Nazis murdered his brother, declared he thought at first that his friends had organised the Munich attempt, but he now considered it could RETURNS only have been caused by the Gestapo.

SPRING OF 1940

Before a revolution in Germany three conditions were necessary, namely;

Germans who still believe in Hitler must feel the horrors a war;

check:

The Reich must suffer a military

ting, "I consider that these conditions

will be fulfilled by the Spring of 1940."—Reuter.

AUTARKY IN ITALY

Rome, To-day. Signor Gayda, writing in "Voce d'Italia," said the progress of Italy's economic self-sufficiency was such that it was possible for her to keep City Self-Protection Corps in the Control District was made at 3 a.m. BEST OF out of war.

classes called up last August, ready.—Reuter.

ICELANDS

London, To-day. A British airman, accompanied by his wife, has voluntarily returned to Iceland to be interned for the duration of the war.

It will be recalled that he brought Privations must become more bit- down his flying boat in Icelandic waters in September and subsequently took off and returned to England under the impression that he had given no pledge to remain.

When he heard of the misundorstanding, he immediately volunteered to return.

He will be interned in a former palace which is now a modern farm. —Reuter.

FIRST ARREST BY "VIGILANTES"

Italy still has under arms four to-day, when Tse Tak-yu and Ng and Cho arrested a man who is alleged now has approximately 1,500,000 men to have been about to burgle No. 135, Hollywood Road.

The King decorating Flying Officer Kenneth Doran with the Distinguished Flying Cross. This officer led an attack against an enemy battleship and in face of heavy gun fire made a successful attack. (Copyright, By Air Mail).

LATVIA TO MAKE THE

Kaunas, To-day. In a broadcast on the 21st anniversary of Latvia's independence, the President of Latvia said that the country is now in a better position and its forces are stronger.

The non-aggression pact with Soviet Russia has reinforced the security of her frontier and the friendly stationing of foreign troops in Latvia had been successfully accomplished.

Speaking of the repatriation of Germans, he said that in spite of the economic difficulties caused by this step, it had benefitted the country in | a political sense; relations with Germany were now on a firm footing as regards national questions. — Reuter.

SILK FRAUD

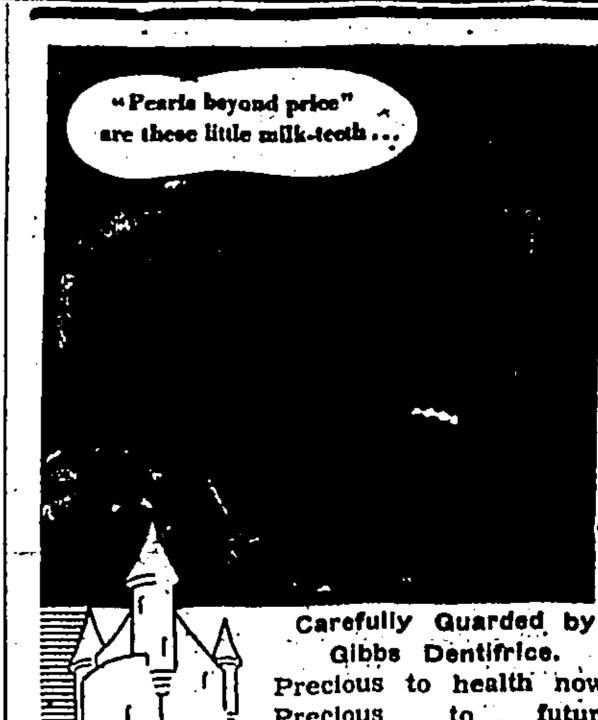
Messrs. Wassiamull and Assomull and Company, of No. 46, Queen's Road Central were defrauded of a quantity of silk, valued at \$90 on Saturday.

A Chinese purchased silk, payment, on delivery. An assistant accompanied the man to Snikung Road, Kowloon City. There he was asked to wait. The Chinese proceeded upstairs and has not been seen since,

ORDERED MEMEL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

' "Khunas, Tö-day. All Lithuanians working in Memel have been ordered by the Germans to leave the town within ten days. It will be recalled that Germany selzed Memel in March this year.—Havas.



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NAZI TANKS ON PATROL

Brutal Repressive Measures Taken In Prague

HUNDREDS DRAFTED TO BUCHENWALD

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day. WHILE THREE MORE Czechs, two of whom were police officials, were executed, Nazi tanks patrolled Prague streets throughout the day, being a reminder of the events in March when the Germans invaded Czecho-Slovakia.

Meanwhile widespread repression is being carried out mainly against Czech intellectuals and many universities have been raided.

At dawn yesterday, motorised detachments of the German State police arrived from the Reich and immediately surrounded Sveilla and Masaryk Colleges and invaded the premises.

Students were brutally dragged out from their beds, thrown into lorries, and carried to concentration camps.

Later the Gestapo invaded several other colleges and the medicine and law sections of the Polytechnic Institute arresting all the students and professors. Later all of them were thrown into the concentration camp at Buchenwald, near Weimar.

SOKOL ARRESTS

Gestapo squads also arrested several members of patriotic organisations, including Sokols.

Arrests, since yesterday, reached several thousands. Machine-guns are posted at the entrance to all German buildings. — Havas.

50,000 ARRESTS REPORTED

Paris, To-day. according to a despatch from the Austrian frontier.

The despatch reports the arrests of the situation. "certain political personalities." — Reuter.

THE SOWING OF THE DRAGON'S TEETH

New York, To-day. arrests of Czechs the "New York lical army" to the Front. Times" says that now the Germans have sown the dragon's teeth they have given the Czechs a sacred cause which they will never forget.

When the time comes, the Czechs will rise and strike, and the young Germany realizes the impossibility of men who have just died will march maintaining Bohemia's present status at the head of their battalions,-Reuter.

CZECH ACTION ABROAD

Washington, To-day. The Czech Legation in Washington and Czech consulates throughout the United States lowered their flags to halfmast when they received the sad news of the murder of the Czech youths by the Nazis. Such an action hitherto, there has been no violent S.M.P., WAS RELEASED YESTERfor ordinary citizens has not been carried out for many years.—Reuter.

NEUTRAL PROTESTS

London, To-day. Such extracts from the neutral The Netherlands newspaper, "Maaspress, relating to the Nazi action in bade," argues that brutal measures Czechoslovakia in the last few days, never have practical results, while as have so far reached London, indi- the Danish "Politiken" finds it surcate that the extreme severity of the prising that a regime which has built measures reported to have been taken itself up on the thesis of the strength to repress expressions of nationalist of the national bond should under-es-

INCURRED WRATH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Amsterdam, To-day. **Events leading to President** Hacha's internment in Lany Castle are outlined by the newspaper "Het Volk."

Demonstrations in Prague on October 28—the Czech National Day—provoked very serious disturbances and the Nazis took ruthless measures, even shooting into a crowd.

The Gestapo chief, Herr Himmler, rebuked his subordinates for methods There have been 50,000 arrests in detrimental for German propaganda Bohemia and Moravia since Friday, abroad, and Baron von Neurath, "Protector" of Bohemia and Moravia suggested that he would try to remedy

OFFER REJECTED

Von Neurath called on Dr. Hacha and proposed important reforms to bring an end to the "demonstration of loyalism." Czechia, he said, would be given wider autonomous powers in return for declaring war on France Commenting on Germany's mass and Great Britain, sending a "symbo-

When Dr. Hacha refused, the Nazis declared that he was overworked and placed him under "home arrest."

The paper "Het Volk" declares that and yet does not want, for propaganda reasons, to incorporate the territory into the Reich.—Havas.

NO VIOLENT REACTION

London, To-day. reaction to the Gestapo executions.

arrested continue on a large scale.— Reuter.

observers.

sentiment and popular discontent, has | timate the strength of national feeling. incurred the disapproval of neutral in another case,—British Wireless.

WINNING THE WAR COMFORTABLY

Paris, To-day. "The men of the British Expeditionary Force are al' cheerful and their health is good.

"I am confident we are winning the war comfortably," said the War Secretary, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, before he left the British front yesterday.—Reuter.

AMERICAS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Guatemala, To-day. The exchange committee of the Inter-American Conference has proposed four resolutions concerning:-

The standardization of customs pro-

A means of establishing exchange I torate. levels for the various American currencies, in order to facilitate inter-American payments:

The prevention of smuggling; And regular contacts between the various treasuries on economic, financial and other data.—Havas.

HOLD UP IN. CITY

Five men armed with daggers | is a mere figure-head. held up pedestrians in Connaught Road Central near the Sincere Company at 7 a.m. to-day. They escaped with \$14.78.

PRAGUE DISORDERS FOSTERED BY NAZIS!

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Berne, To-day.

Deutsche Nachrichten Buro, the official German news agency, reports that martial law has been proclaimed in several districts of Bohemia and Moravia, following the recent demonstrations in Prague.

The population applies only to the non-German populations of the cities of Prague, Kladno, Beraun and Horchowitz.

It is disclosed the Prague's demonstration last Thursday was a Nazisponsored anti-Czech show staged by Fascist groups founded by Germans and whose total membership is only about 5,000 throughout the Protec-

POLICE ARRESTED!

When the demonstrators became dangerous, the Czech police tried to disperse them, whereupon the Gestapo arrested several policemen.

Dr. Hans Frank, German state minister and head of the Polish administration, is also believed to be the "true master" of Bohemia and Moravia while von Neurath

The Germans apparently wish to replace the government headed by General Elias by a new government more docile to Berlin. - Havas.

PARADES FLOWERS-BY REQUEST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day. MR. ANTHONY EDEN, Secretary of State for the Dominions, who recently visited Paris and the Front with the Dominion representatives, yesterday made a radio speech in French in which he said:—

"To many of us, this visit brought back memories of 20 years ago.

"There is not, perhaps, the air of adventure which prevailed at the beginning of the last war—no parades, no flowers.

FREE

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY: AFTER BEING HELD IN CUS-TODY FOR MORE THAN It is reported from Prague that, HOURS, MR. EGEBERG, OF THE ly reinforced. DAY EVENING, BUT THE TWO Repressive measures continue, and CHINESE CONSTABLES ARE STILL DETAINED.

Before his release, Egeberg was prevailed upon to sign a blank piece of paper as his confession.

Accompanied as it was by some firing, emanating from an unascertained source, the Japanese action in detaining the Police officers created considerable tension in the entire vicinity.

The Italian Marines, in whose sector the incident occurred, took over control for some time last night. Router.

"We know by experience what war means, but everywhere is seen the firm resolve to put a definite end to periodically renewed aggression.

"No one doubts our victory. "We visited the British sector. The soldiers' health and training were excellent.

"The British sector is being rapid-

"We also visited the famous Maginot Line, defended by an army which knows no peer for calm courage, training and efficiency.

FRANCE'S CONTRIBUTION

"France has made heavy financial and economic sacrifices to build this. Line. To-day, liberty-loving peoples recognize with gratitude the debt they owe to these defences and to the army which is occupying them.

"It is easy to imagine how different the situation would have been had not France persisted in bringing up to perfection her army and fortifications," -Haves.

BOLIVAR DISASTER SIMON

WIFE OF TRINIDAD BANKER GIVES GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF SCENES ON DOOMED SHIP

FRANCE BACK TO NORMAL TIME

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Paris, To-day.

France yesterday abandoned Daylight Saving Time.

The return to normal time was postponed for six weeks in order to effect extra savings in the present circumstances.

The difference between Hong Kong and Paris time is now. again 8 hours.—Havas.

HOLLAND ENTITLED TO MAKE VIGOROUS PROTEST

London, To-day. "The sinking of the Simon Bolivar is clearly a breach of international law," said Mr. Ivor Jennings in the course of a broadcast on the legal aspects yesterday.

The Dutch Government, he said, would be entitled to make the very strongest of protests to Berlin.

The laying of mines is covered by the 8th Hague Convention, which was signed by Britain, France, Germany and other powers in 1907. This convention makes a distinction between anchored and unanchored mines.

Unanchored mines must be so made | for it." as to render themselves harmless one hour after being laid. Anchored mines must not be laid unless they are of a type which renders itself harmless on breaking loose.

It is not known what type sank

the Simon Bolivar.

If it was an unanchored mine, it, was clearly a breach of the treaty. If it was an anchored mine which broke loose, there was again a breach NAZI-DUTCH of the treaty.

THE LAW

If it was an anchored mine, the Hague Convention does not apply. Of course, Germany might argue that the convention does not apply in any case, since it was not signed by Poland.

But here, customary international law applies. Neutral passenger or cargo ships may not be sunk by any means whatever. The British Admiralty informs neutrals of the presence of minefields and only lays! those which become harmless on breaking loose.

The indiscriminate laying of mines in open sea is directly contrary to international law, concluded Mr. Jennings, but-in 1914, a German ship, the Konigen Louise was sunk while laying mines in the open sea.—Reuter.

CASTLE PEAK ROAD ACCIDENT

Mr. A. Malcolm, of Malcolm and Company, while driving in Castle Peak Road towards Laichikok on Saturday afternoon, accidentally knocked down an 8-year-old Chinese girl, Yuen Hing. The girl was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

London, To-day. MRS. SANDIFORD, wife of a Trinidad banker, and a survivor of the Simon Bolivar disaster, paid a high tribute to men of the Navy and other ships which dashed to the rescue.

In an interview in London yesterday Mrs. Sandiford described the scene on board the Simon Bolivar. She said: "I had just gone down to the cabin to get H.K. AIR MAIL some things for my daughter, Jean.

was unable to get the cases open, so I sent Jean for her father. Soon afterwards there was a terrific explosion."

Mrs. Sandiford staggered out through the dark passage which was filled with steam and got to the top deck, where she found her husband injured.

"He told me he was twice thrown up into the air by the explosion." A swift search revealed their daughter Jean, who was dazed, and the three climbed into the same lifeboat.

"The sun-deck was awash when chief officer Smit left it.

SCOTTISH NURSE "In our lifeboat was a Scottish nurse who, in spite of her own back being injured, began in a businesslike manner to attend to the injuries of the others and make them comfortable."

Mrs. Sandiford believed that a number of people forward and below must have been trapped.

"In the passage I saw several crawling out of a cabin. Some of them must have been stewards. "I don't know how they could have escaped because there was nobody down there to pull them out.

"After we had landed we were in the waiting-room when an air raid warning was given. Everybody was being carried on stretchers.

GIRL'S JUMP "Among the passengers who jumped into the sea was a girl returning home after finishing her schooling on the Continent. She got into a lifeboat, but told me that as nobody lowered the boat she decided to jump

One of the problems of the nurses and doctors was the vast quantities of tenacious oil with which the survivors were covered. The hospital authorities had to make an emergency application for the issue of petrol for cleaning them? —Reuter.

AIR CLASH

Amsterdam, To-day. A clash between a Dutch fighter and a German machine violating Dutch neutrality occurred yesterday, in exactly the same circumstances as the incident reported on Saturday.

The Dutch plane was sent up when the Nazi machine appeared. There dues. was an exchange of machine-gun fire before the German plane succeeded in getting away.

The Netherlands Government has lodged a further protest.

Belgium is protesting about a clash on a bigger scale over Belgium in which several Belgian pursuits and Nazi reconnaissance planes returning from France were concerned.—Reuter.

ABANDONED JUNK

The naval authorities report an apparently abandoned junk, dangerous to mavigation, in Lat. 21.35 N. Long. 113.32 E.

COMMUNAL RIOTS

Bombay, To-day. Six Hindus-and five Moslems were killed in a serious communal riot in the Bombay Presidency yesterday. The disturbance began when Hindu shops were set on fire by Moslems.

Curfew has been imposed in the district.—Reuter.

ALREADY AN **ECONOMIC** WORLD WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rome, To-day.

Although the war is at present confined to Western Europe it is nevertheless already a world war economically, stated Signor Mus-

Thanks to Italy, he said, the war had not spread to the whole continent but had already upset the economic and social activities of all countries.---Havas.

MISSING

It is understood that the missing Hong Kong air mail, some eight bags, taken by the Japanese from the Dardanus at Weichow, to Canton, and overlooked when the earlier batch was re-transferred to Hong Kong, is being brought this afternoon or tomorrow.

Originally, the Japanese promised to send it down on Saturday, but for some reason a further delay has occurred.

Mr. J. W. Brown, of No. 8, Cornwall. Road, has reported the theft of brass window, bolts and hinges from her bathing shed at the 121/2-mile beach in the New Territories.

INDIGNATION SYMPATHY

London, To-day. THE SINKING OF THE Royal Dutch Mail liner, Simon Bolivar, has evoked feelings of indignation and sympathy.

taken down into the shelters, some The disaster adds more lives and another fine ship to the long list of casualties inflicted upon neutrals by German ruthlessness and disregard for international law.

tanker, Arne Kjode.

take every possible precaution to field is at once navigation and must, for this reason, Ministry. declared the danger area and warn shipping to keep clear. The Allies have announced every danger area created by them.

CLOSING OF BALTIC

danger areas, notably those designed to close the Baltic and force all neutral shipping passing in or out of that sea to use the Kiel Canal, thus submitting to the German Contraband Control and bringing to Germany much-needed foreign currency by the payment of canal and

making a practice of laying clumps only be resolved when the nation that of mines in the channels used by merchant shipping traffic on this side of the North Sea.

The establishment of these danger areas is not announced, as their whole objective is to inflict losses before the minefields are discovered and swept.

NONSENSE

In the case of the Danish ship, the ship had struck a British mine.

agine that a maritime nation should from Egypt all the cotton which, beillegally lay mines in channels ex- fore the war, was sold to Germany tensively used by its own shipping! Reuter.

Among the more recent of these | Moreover, all the evidence, and the have been the sinking of the Danish statement of the master of the Canada liner, Canada, by an unnotified Ger- | proved it to have been a German mine. man mine and the torpedoing, with- If a British warship is damaged by out warning or attempt to place the one of these illegal minefields, Gercrew in safety, of the Norwegian many is only too pleased to claim it as a great success for German International law demands that if arms. Yet if a neutral ship is sunk a belligerent lays mines he must in this way the German mineensure the safety of commercial as British by the German Propaganda

MINES WASHED UP

Further proof of the illegal laying of mines by Germany in shipping routes on the west side of the North Sea has been secured by the fact Germany has announced some that many German mines have been washed up on the East Coast.

The effect of this ruthless German warfare against neutral shipping is shown by the following quotation from a Norwegian newspaper, referring to the torpedoing without warning of the Norwegian tanker, Arne Kjode: "It is proof of open warfare excluding the aggressor from a civil-German U-Boats are, however, ised community. Such matters can has thus raised its hand against all. finds that every man's hand is against her. One cannot exceed the bounds of humanity even in war." -- British Wireless.

BRITAIN TO BUY EGYPT'S COTTON

It is officially announced that the It is hardly commonsense to im- British Government has agreed to buy

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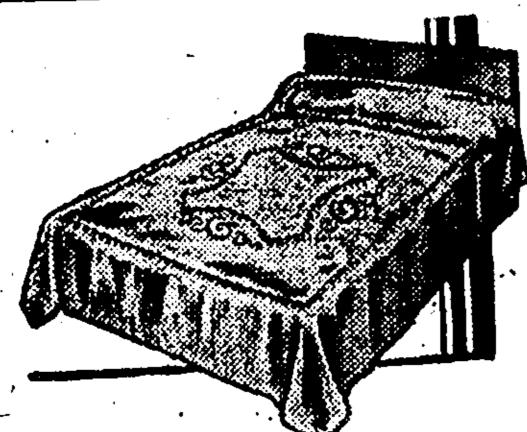
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

TWO SCENES SCENE I.

Hotel Kaiserhof, Berlin, 2:30 p.m. It is the late lunch hour. Many of the guests are already seated at table, but the whole staff is on tip-toe. Whisperings here and there, a party at mind hurrying with its meal as that one table is asked whether it would particular table is required for a very

special person. . . . Outside the hotel, a few minutes later, a big Mercedes Benz auto draws up. An adjutant in uniform jumps out from the seat beside the chauffeur, gives the Hitler Salute, opens the second door and stands to attention while a man in black uniform steps out. It is the National Socialist Foreign Secretary. He looks round, left and right, up and down, gives his own peculiar form of the Hitler Salute, and walks into the hotel followed by three of his suite also in uniform. All along the route, the same salutes and heelclicking, which reach their final crescendo as the National Socialist dignitary takes his place at the table specially reserved for him. Three or four waiters, all of whom have duly fluttered their "Heil Hitlers" in the breeze, await orders. The meal continues and so does this, with a heel-click every time the Minister so much as moves an eyelid. The only break is for more and more resounding heel-clicks as a messenger, also in uniform, brings a special letter. Orders are given to an adjutant across the table, he rises, and marches off.

age moves. The whole restaurant is answer to come from the skies over agog. Half of them rise and salute blacked-out London. But No is No. him. The Minister disappears in a halo And Berlin's apparently hopeful re-

of heel-clicks.

SCENE II. restaurant near Buckingham ginning to understand. Palace. The hour is 1:30 p.m. Every- Millions the world over are hoping, body is busy eating and conversing, working and praying for peace. Those In walks a lady and gentleman. Where called upon to make sacrifices for it will they sit? No table is specially re- are waiting to hear, in more specific served for them, but the Head Waiter terms than they have yet heard, what sees one free in a corner and suggests are the war and peace aims of the that perhaps it would be suitable. Yes, Allies. They would like to see the they agree. The guests settle down and blue-print for reconstruction, to coneat their lunch like any other normal sult frankly with the architects of and furtive glances from the rest of Science Monitor." the company suggest they are recognised. It is the British Foreign Secretary and before one can say anything he has taken his bowler hat and umbrella and has left. The ties of of Hitler but a benevolent neutral, blood link Germans and English, said whose benevolence has to be stimulat-But what separates them!—"Christian fee, but by repeated and substantial Science Monitor."

tions of Europe results from no wrong of Poland, and call further hostilities which they individually or collec- off, the partners in perfidy will consi-

THE PUZZLE

The puzzle to which we should

try to find the answer is this:

Hew is it that, in a free and de-

mocratic State, there can still be

such immense differences in

income and in opportunities,

altogether apart from those

ability and character? - Sir

reflect

which

Arthur' Salter.

differences in

tively have com-Their ofmitted. fense is the combination of their geographic locations and their defensive weakness resulting from their small sizes. They simply happen to be in the path of an aggressor and too weak to be able to lay down the law to the aggressor on

the score of detouring around them. neutral status Belgium or Switzerland will not depossibly might net a temporary advantage, but the ultimate result will material resources.

ficult to determine right now whether "Daily Telegraph."

he care's one way or the other what the world thinks of and feels about the war he started with the conquest of Poland. But by threatening the small nations he is building blockades against his own armies, and those blockades ultimately will have devastating effects upon his supply lines —if in fact that is not already true.— "Manila Bulletin."

THE SAME MAN

The man who flew to Berchtesgaden and then to Godesberg and then to Munich, however, is the same man who has now told Herr Hitler that . the peace on which the Third Reich has continued to count for victory is not in the British vocabulary. Peace based on the abuse of confidence in the pledged word, peace built on the ashes of Polish cities and on the moral ruins of Czech democracy, peace balanced on the violently shifting policy of opportunism which could lead to a marriage of National Socialism and Bolshevism in Moscow, peace that even now is regarded by the signers of the Russo-German general aggression pact as opportunity to divide Europe between them - that peace, Mr. Chamberlain stated, London sees as surrender.

The approval voiced in the House of Commons and along London's darkened streets is an approval which does not ignore the possible costs of perseverance on the field Herr Hitler himself chose when he marched on clicks his heels, gives the Hitler Salute Poland. No Briton so sanguine as to expect the Third Reich's reply to be The meal is over. The great person- confined to words; many expected the ference to intervention by the United States shows the Third Reich is be-

human beings. Only a few whispers the world's to-morrow. — "Christian

STALIN THE "ALLY"

Stalin becomes not the ally in arms the National Socialists not long ago. ed not merely by a heavy retaining refreshers. It is true that the new Russo-German agreement provides MENACING THE WEEK that if the Allies do hot acquiesce in The current crisis for small na- the subjugation and dismemberment

measures they will take. As long as Russian complaisance is necessary to Germany, while German complaisance is no longer necessary to Russia, it may be conjectured that Stalin will not readily be a party to any measures which involve his abandonment of a formal neutrality. That

already enhas It possibly may be temporarily con- abled him, without risk or conflict, to venient to trample on the weak sim- possess himself of rich prizes, among ply because they are in the way and which Estonia is added to half of Poare weak, but it's cowardly. In the land. Nor is it to be overlooked that long run it will be costly. The strate- the Moscow negotiations have failed gy of a drive through the Netherlands, nivance of Stalin—to detach Turkey from her undertakings to the Western cide the present war. Such strategy democracies. On the contrary, Turkey's adherence to them is proclaimed, and a Turkish military mission is be the crystallization of world senti- on its way to this country. It is an ment and a corresponding reinforcing honourable characteristic of the Turk of the behind-the-line reserves in to be faithful to his engagements, and the virtue shines brighter than ever The Hitler attitude toward world against the background of treachery sentiment still is a puzzle. It is dif- in which to-day it finds its setting.—

MORE SHIPS SUNK

MINE DISASTERS OFF POLICE RAID ENGLISH EAST COAST "MASSAGE"

London, To-day.

JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT last night, news was received in London that three more ships have been sunk off the East Coast of the British Isles in circumstances similar to the Simon Bolivar outrage.

Two of them were neutrals and one British. Italian steamer, Gracia, of 5,800 tons, was Italy's first shipping loss of the war.

Another victim was the Swedish freighter, Borgholm, of 1,590 tons, and the British steamer was a craft of 2,500.

Full details of the sinkings is not yet known, and there is no information yet regarding the loss of life.

BOLIVAR DISASTER

In the meantime, it is revealed that only 100 persons are now thought to have lost their lives in the Simon Bolivar disaster, less than originally feared.

It is, however, revealed that no few than 44 of the missing passengers are British.

Victims in hospital in London were visited by the Netherlands Minister yesterday. — Reuter.

DEEP IMPRESSION

Paris, To-day. The sinking of the Simon Bolivar has caused a deep impression in Paris.

"Intransigeant" says it gives sinister confirmation of the report that the Germans, despairing of the efficacy of their torpedoes, were going to use submarines as minelayers.

This abominable weapon, says the newspaper, is forbidden under international law, but the Germans could not be expected to neglect this form of murder.—Reuter.

100 MISSING

London, To-day.

passengers, mostly Dutch, but including 75 Britons, were on board the Netherlands liner Simon Bolivar when she was hit by two German mines in the North Sea on Saturday.

It is feared that 100 have lost their lives. Of the survivors, 50 were badly injured and received first aid attention from doctors and nurses on the quay-side before being removed to hospital.

The survivors also included 15 young children and six babes in arms; most of them are being accommodated in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.

According to survivors, the explosion of the first mine killed many outright and flung others into the sea. The angle of the ship held up the launching of her port-side lifeboats.

The second explosion shattered a lifeboat as it was nearing the water and killed several people.

The sinking of the Simon Bolivar is the greatest non-naval disaster of the war. — Reuter.

MAGNETIC MINE

Cophenhagen, To-day. Great anger is expressed in Denmark at the sinking of the Simon Bolivar; it was only a week ago that | pointment of Mr. F. H. W. Stone-Denmark lost her biggest merchant | hewer-Bird, British Consul-General ship through a German mine in the at Addis Ababa, to be British Minis-North Sea.

This was the Canada, and her cap- Bullard.—British Wireless.

APPETISER

People living in a country house "somewhere in Kent" regretfully complained to the nearby R.A.F. depot recently. For several days they had been awakened by the regular seven a.m. arrival of an R.A.F. machine which circled repeatedly over the house and dived with a hideous roar low over the gabled roof. Finally they telephoned to the C.O. of the depot.

That afternoon two chastened and apologetic young pilots arrived to promise that the thing would never occur again. Over tea their host asked, "But was there any reason for choosing our house every morning?"

"Oh," sald one of them, "you see, your house and lake are Berchtesgaden, and we like to bomb it every morning before breakfast."

tain believes his ship struck a magnetic mine. The vessel sank in shallow water in the direct line of steamship traffic; she has already caused the loss of four other merchant ships which collided with the wreckage. — Reuter:

LAND SPIED OUT BY PLANES?

Amsterdam, To-day. The London correspondent of the "Amsterdam Telegraaf" says that a survivor told him that two German aeroplanes flew over the Simon Bolivar at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning.— Reuter.

BELGIANS DRIVE OFF

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day. While the British and French air forces concentrate on photographing enemy positions, the Nazis appear to be desiring to train their young pilots and are flying over towns far from the front line.

Several German machines bound for France were driven back by Belgian pursuit 'planes when they violated Belgian neutrality. — Havas.

APPOINTED MINISTER

London, To-day. The King has approved the apter at Jedda, succeeding Sir Reader

PLACE

AS A SEQUEL TO A RAID ON A "MASSAGE" ESTABLISHMENT IN WANCHAI, TSO SIU-YU (21), THE KEEPER, WAS FINED \$150 BY MR. EDWARDS THIS MORNING, FOR MAINTAINING A MASSAGE ESTA-BLISHMENT WITHOUT A LICENCE.

Sub-Inspector Orem said that the raid was carried out on Saturday night. Some of the cubicles were locked. Inside them were men partly undressed, with girls in attendance.

Mr. Shaftain, A.S.P., asked that a serious view be taken. A detective was sent to the establishment, in Lockhart Road, before the warrant was taken out and his information established that the place was run either as a brothel or a depot for the supply of prostitutes. Defendant had made no attempt to secure a licence.

On defendant declaring his inability to play the fine, the Police applied for a distress warrant, enabling them to seize the furniture.

TURKEY RECALLED

Ankara, To-day. The German military and naval mission has left Turkey for home. It is reported that the order for their return was made personally by Hitler himself.

Many Germans, both officials and private individuals, have already left que stated there was a quiet day w Turkey.—Reuter.



Two little Glasgow evacues Betty Murphy, and Isa Kelly, ard the proudest little, girls in Scotland. They are wearing coats that belonged to Princess Elizate beth and Princess Margaret-These little girls had been evacuated to Craithie, near Balmorai Castle, and the coats were among presents sent by Princesses to village. (By Air Mail. Copyright).

AIR RAID WARNINGS

London, To-day. The air raid warning sounded the north-east coast of Scotland yel

terday morning. German planes were visible flying

very high. No bombs were dropped and the all clear was sounded 20 minutes later. — Reuter.

QUIET DAY ON THE FRONT WESTERN

Paris, To-da

Last night's French war communication local artillery action.—Reuter.





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WHERE WILL HITLER DELIVER HIS BLOW IN THE WEST?

too confidently on the acceptance by width of the front. the Allies of the fait accompli in Such an attempt might produce an Poland.

many and the morale of the German able. people in particular require special Only overwhelming confidence in

1917 in the last war. INDECISIVE AIR ATTACK

each other in elaborately fortified tack positions in an arena which, con- would succeed. lines.

Politically it may be said that the action, and therefore, from a pure- | he fully realises this. ly military standpoint, the simplest | Where else can the German Gensolution would be for the German eral Staff look for an opening? If Army, in a strong position, to stand | they could find one by violating neuon the defensive. That would be tral territory they will not, we may the obvious course if Hitler were be sure, be deterred by scruples, and confident that the country's economic | they may think that in the Siegfried condition and morale could, over a Line they hold a solid pivot of long period, withstand the pressure manoeuvre. of blockade.

that the assistance that can be given | the Swiss are capable of offering the her by Russia or neighbouring neutrals would be insufficient for her needs, a military commentator is justified in examining the courses able defences, both natural and aropen to Germany if she is compelled | tificial, on which to meet any such for economic internal reasons to take | thrust, and it would also be vulnerthe offensive.

One course open to her while her attacks. confine offensive action to air attacks on opponents' territory, trusting to breaking down the will of their civil population.

Some years ago Goering and other extreme believers in air power might have advocated this course—and they still may. Obviously, however, the chances of achieving decision by air ly by the Allies' defensive measures. Moreover, experience in Spain, China and recently in Poland has shaken lends itself to delaying action, for too confident belief in the power of air action to crush the morale of a civil population. There are certainly exists. no indications that air action alone Polish nation.

effect.

WAY OF EXHAUSTION

violent ground and air offensive on army. the present front of contact of the

Few soldiers would care to have opposing armies. The Allied armies to solve the strategic problem which are, however, mobilised and strong-Hitler has set his General Staff as a ly posted, with masses of reserves consequence of his having counted made available by the restricted

epic struggle, with immense sacrifice The problem, of course, as is the of life on both sides, but it could case generally in strategy, is not hardly hold out prospects of decisive purely military; economic and poli- | success, and failure to achieve a decitical factors are essential elements sion would only accelerate the exin it and must be weighed. The in- | haustion of German material reternal economic condition of Ger- sources which might prove irreplac-

consideration—the more so if we the quantity and quality of German accept the view authoritatively held troops_and armaments could justify that in these respects the condition such a desperate course. Such conof Germany at present is on a par sidence the Germans may possess, with what it had been reduced to by but it is opposed by equal confidence on the side of the Allies and by almost unlimited material resources What is the essential feature of the which Germany does not command. military problem? It is obviously The experiences of the last war can that the opposing armies confront afford Germany little hope that atsuch conditions under

sidering their size, is extraordinarily | Furthermore, a lesson of the last restricted in length, and is further war is that an offensive which is restricted, not only by the Rhine, brought to a stand-still incurs the which may be considered an almost danger of counter-attack. A partial impassable obstacle, but by moun-success which leaves an army in an tainous country and by minor river exposed and hastily-consolidated position is in fact a source of danger. Gamelin's cautious advance Allies are committed to offensive | before the Siegfried Line shows that

On the one flank there is Switzer-As economists, however, maintain | land, but apart from the resistance nature of the country would restrict the scope of German operations. Moreover, the French have formidable to interference by air counter-

army stands on the defensive is to Unless Italy became an active partner the chances of Germany using Switzerland as a passage-way for a major invasion of France seem small, though subsidiary operations by that line are a possibility.

> On the other flank the frontiers to Luxembourg, Belgium and Holland are exposed to invasion.

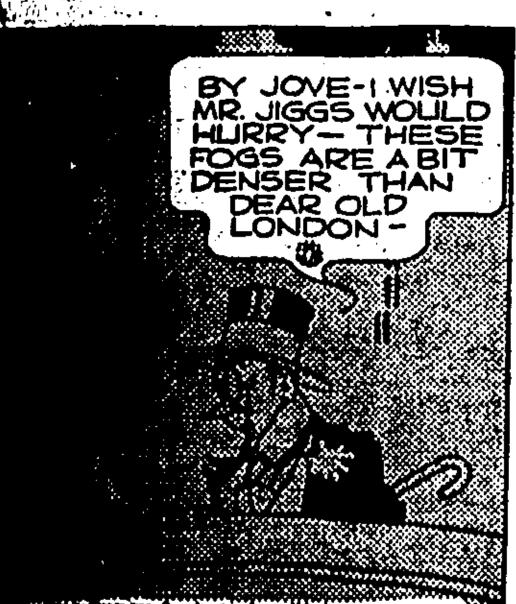
There can be little doubt that action alone has been reduced great- | Luxembourg and the Ardennes district of Belgium might be overrun, although the nature of the country which, in the case of Belgium, at any rate an effective organisation

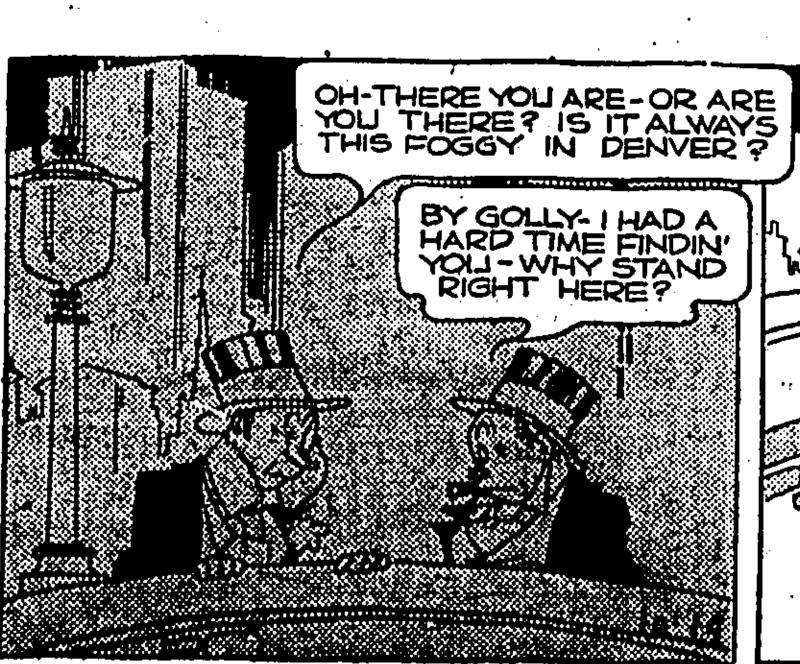
Further advance, by a wheel to would have broken the will of the the south, would bring the invaders up against the extension of the Apart from that Hitler must clear- | Maginot Line, constructed, though ly be unwilling to expose his own in less elaborate form, along France's people to air reprisals, both because northern frontier. An advance to of their economic and their moral the west, similarly, would encounter the formidable obstacle of the Meuse, more strongly fortified than in 1914 A second alternative might be a and held by a better-trained Belgian

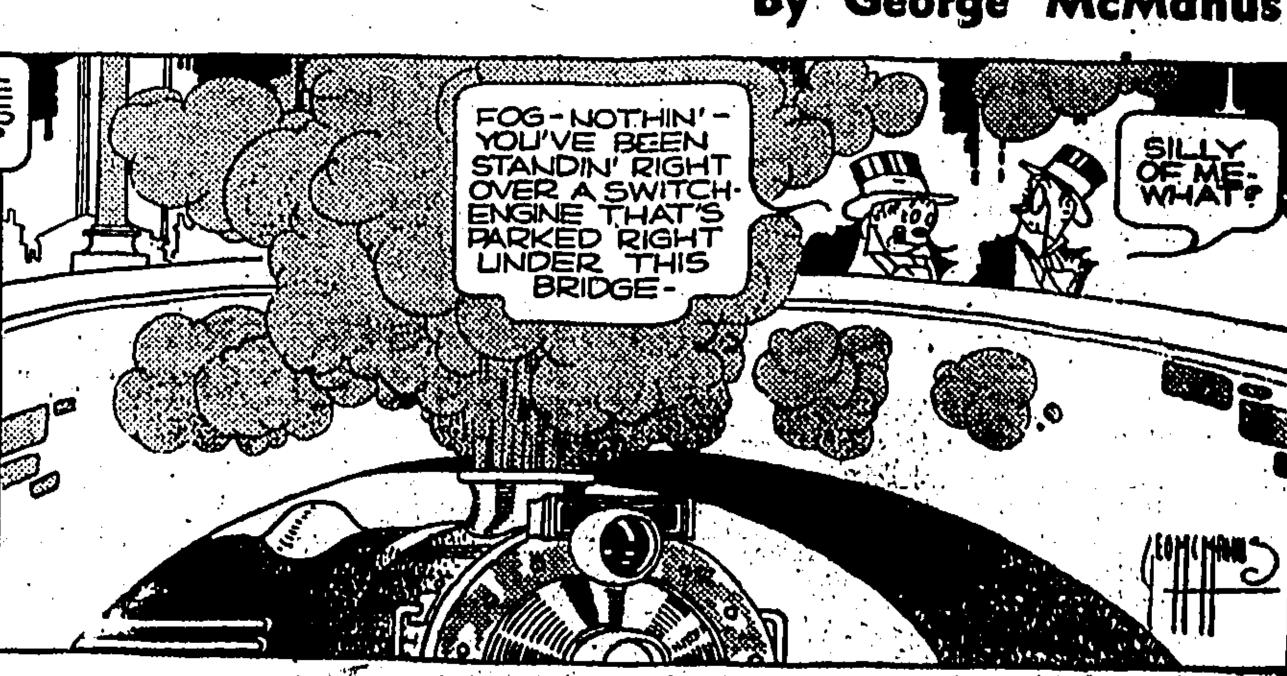
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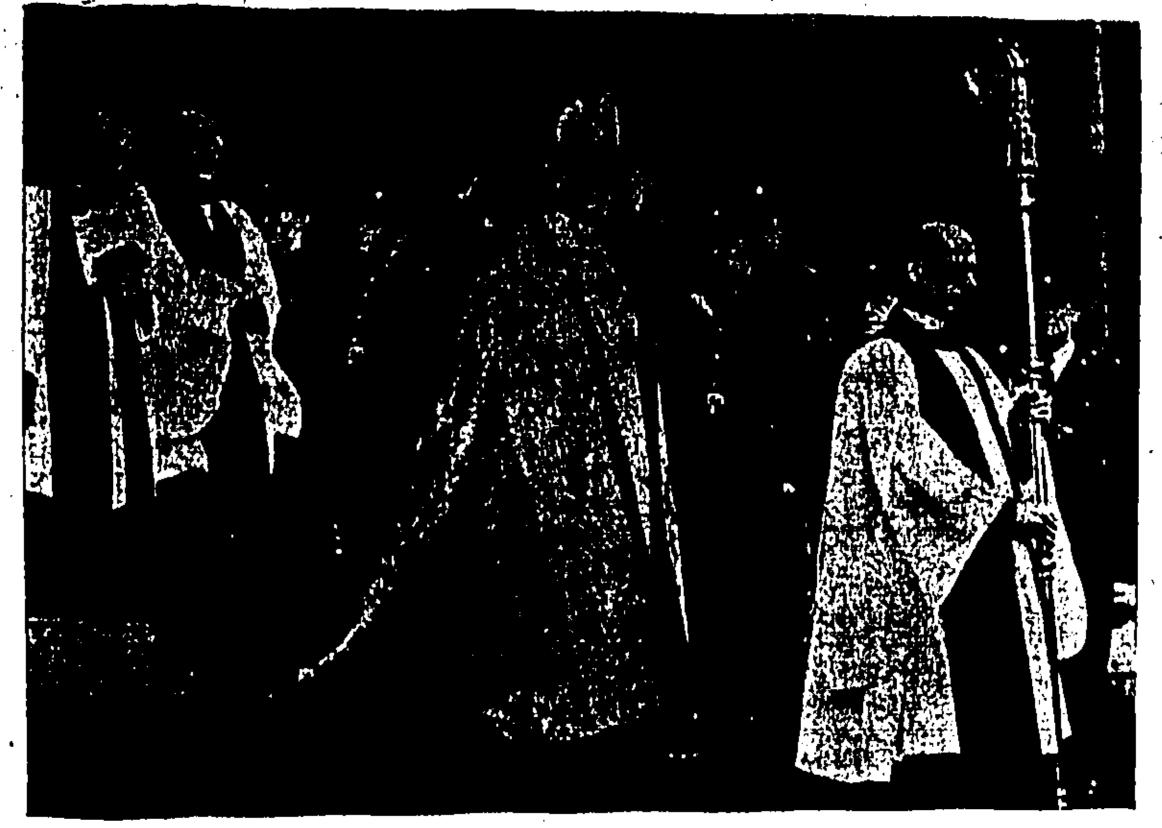
Bringing Up Father

By George McManus









The Right Rev. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, D.D. sometime headmaster of Repton, and until recently Bishop of Chester, was enthroned on November 3 at St. Paul's Cathedral, as Lord Bishop of London. Photo shows the Bishop in procession when leaving the Cathedral to re-enter the main door during the ceremon y. (Copyright. By Air Mail).

WHERE WILL HITLER DELIVER HIS BLOW IN THE WEST?

(Continued from Page 10) An invasion of Luxembourg and of Belgium through the Ardennes was expected by the French in 1914, and it was to be met by an outflanking French counter-offensive; for it culation by Nazi propaganwas erroneously believed that the Germans did not possess sufficient numbers to carry out the wider enveloping movement which von Schlieffen had planned. It was not known that troops had been found for the purpose by bringing reserve divisions to the condition of first line troops. The French counter-plan failed, therefore.

To-day the question is whether Germany has sufficient numbers of troops fit to place in the first line to cover the front of the Great Sweep of 1914. Even if she has not, can one reject the possibility of a German attempt to repeat the 1914 this lie. manoeuvre in some modified form in order to turn the line of the Belgian Meuse defences?

A SWEEP INTO BELGIUM There are reasons, I think, why the Germans might again try to effect by a denial, however strong. an enveloping movement which would bring them on to the left bank of the Meuse and into the heart Belgium, even though they have not sufficient numbers to advance through the Ardennes as well. It may be remembered that in 1914 they protected the inner flank of their sweep from counter-attack by an advance of armies all along the line from Metz to Liege. To-day they have the Siegfried Line, more or less highly developed, from Basle to Aix-la-Chapelle, and that would form a pivot of manoeuvre. From the Moselle to Aix it is covered by difficult country which would protect it from of gas supplied by Britain. immediate attack by the Allied armies. It could therefore be lightly

power of the extreme right. If the Belgian defences were in the same condition as in 1914 the An invasion of Holland designed to line of the Meuse might again be expose the northern frontier of Belcrossed at Liege and north of it. gium cannot be ruled out. It would, hind them.

held and troops saved there could

be used to strengthen the offensive

not to the same degree as Belgium, They might be met there under conthe Dutch-Belgian frontier-which hind strongly-fortified lines. would turn the Belgian defence— A subsidiary offensive through must be looked on as a feasible Switzerland, or the threat of one, operation.

mans considered the advisability of numbers of Allied divisions which violating the neutrality of Holland by could be sent to Belgium. crossing the Limburg appendix to It cannot be said that any of the turn the Liege fortress instead of alternatives I have discussed is main.

new Meuse-Scheldt Canal was con- perate man may resort to desperate structed—with strategic as well as expedients—and in nothing I have economic purpose. It presents a said do I ply that a German army formidable obstacle, though one hard- can in ly ranking with the Meuse itself.

NAZIS PLAY THE SAME OLD TUNE

London, Yesterday. There appears to have been no cessation in the cirdists of the fabricated charge against Britain of having supplied the poison gas which is alleged to have been used against German soldiers in Poland.

Although a complete refutation of what Mr. Chamberlain has described as "an impudent and transparent falsehood" has been given in official British statements, reports from various parts of the world show that Nazi agencies are still assiduously distributing leaflets which repeat

The calculation must be done in accordance with Hitler's theory of propaganda—that if a lie is repeated sufficiently often and with sufficient assurance it will not be overtaken

Whatever may be true of Germany itself, that is certainly a miscalculation so far as neutral opinion is concerned.

STRINGENT CONTROL

The stringency of the control of arms exports by Britain has long been well-known, and the statement that Board of Trade receipts showed that no poison gas had been sent to Poland has therefore made a profound impression.

A statement was issued on October 23 by a Swiss professor, whose original diagnosis of the condition of German soldiers started the story

The professor emphasised that he had "found no evidence indicating in what circumstances poisoning had occurred."—British Wireless.

TO DISPERSE THE ALLIES But the Belgian fortifications on the of course, still leave a long distance Meuse have been greatly strengthen- to be traversed before the French ed and the Belgian army is in an frontier was reached, but the Geradvanced stage of mobilisation be- mans would probably count on large portions of the Allied armies being Holland has taken precautions but drawn north to Belgium's assistance. and a crossing of the Meuse below ditions of manoeuvre instead of be-

might possibly be developed simul-We know that in 1914 the Ger- taneously in order to reduce the

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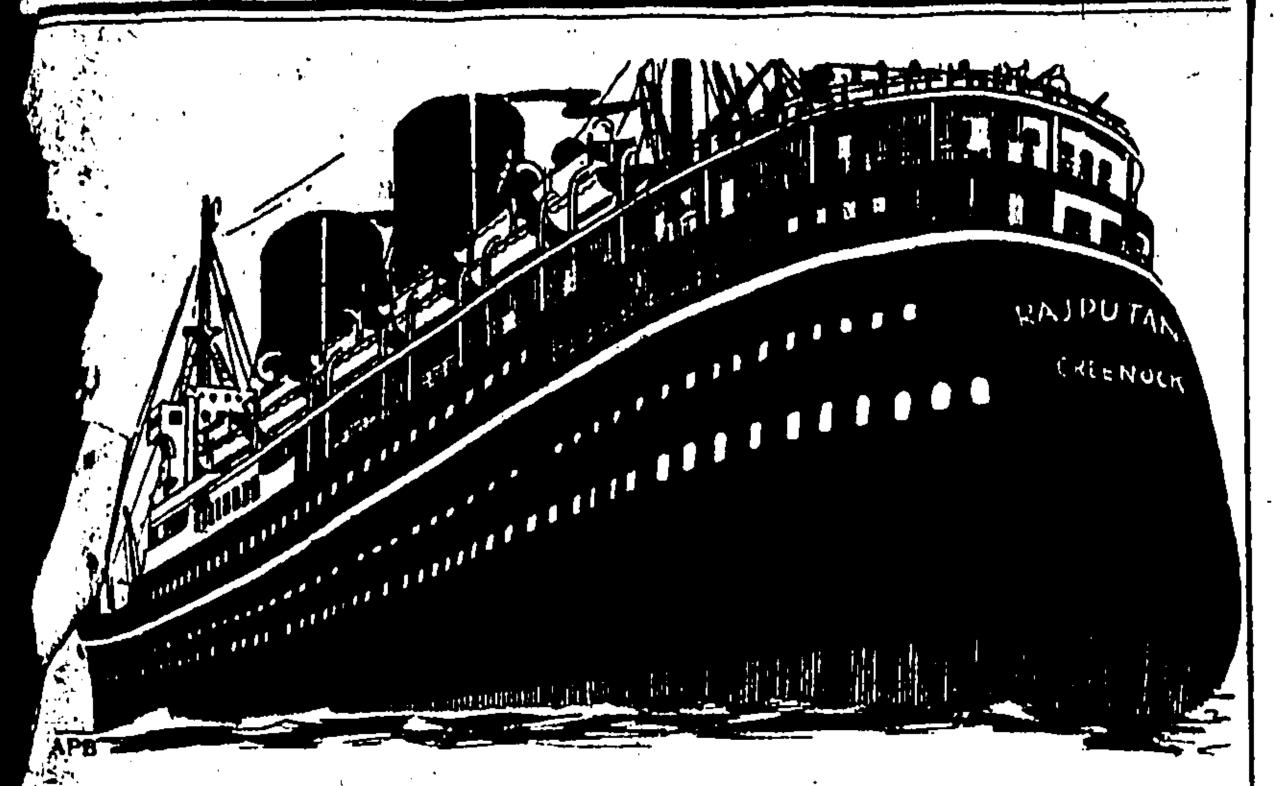
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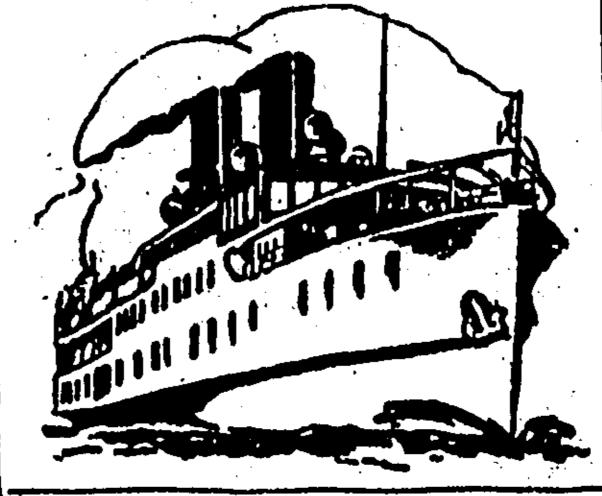
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His wife died of injuries received in a quarrel with her husband, during which she was struck with shoe.

The medical evidence showed that deceased had an unusually large spleen.

AMAHS FIGHT AT A POLICE STATION

Two amahs, Wong Yin and Fung Yee, employed at the Kowloon City Police Station, were to-day charged | Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering with disorderly conduct.

Inspector Rogers told Mr. E. Himsworth that, after an argument, they rock which fell on him while he was threw water on each other in the Yard | digging in a hillside in Argyle Street, at Station. They fought despite and Lam Man had his leg fractured warning to desist.

A fine of \$1 was imposed.

KILLED WIFE GIRL SENT TO FLOATING PRISON

Sung Heung-lan, alias Sung Meing, 21, described as an escort girl, SHIP ROUTE ling, 21, described as an escort girl, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, for theft of \$500 from a dancing girl, So Siu-siu.

Det. Scrgt. R. Mcvey said the girls lived in the same cubicle. The money was under the pillow of complainant's bed. Defendant spent it on clothing and jewellery and a gift to her mother.

About \$150 was recovered from another girl, who was keeping it for accused.

MEN INJURED TWO LANDSLIDES

Two Chinese were admitted to the from injuries caused by landslides.

So Hong-ting was injured by a by a falling rock near the Kowloon Hospital.

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The quarrel arose over a mahjong debt and the borrowing of money. During the quarrel Yau Kam-hoi, the dead man, stopped to pick up his clogs and accused twisted him over and struck his head on the ground. He died next day from represent Club "A" against Middlesex a broken neck.

EUROPEAN LADY ROBBED

was the victim of a handbag snatcher while crossing Nathan Road on Saturday night. She raised an alarm and attracted the attention of Mr. Luis

As a result, Wong Ying, 20, was commended by Mr. Q. A. A. Mac-

false pretences.

Defendants denied the charges, say-

The case was adjourned. Acting Sub-Inspector Clarke is in charge.

Mrs. W. E. Kirby, of Argyle Street, Chan, who chased and arrested him.

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"A" FIFTEEN CLUB FOR WEDNESDAY

The following have been chosen to on the Club ground at 5 p.m. on Wednesday next:-Thompson; Nelson, Lavalle, Hamilton and Van Leeuwen (Captain); Day and Thomson; Dalziel, Salter, Heasman, Bompas, Swan, Godfrey, King and Deane.

Referee:—H. D. Bidwell.

Shield Matches Not Being Played To-morrow

The Junior Football Shield games this morning sentenced to three arranged for to-morrow have been months' hard labour. Mr. Chan was postponed. On Wednesday Signals will meet Service Corps at Sookunpoo, at 4.15 p.m., and the game between 8th R.A. and Royal Scots will be played on the same ground at 2.45 p.m. the following Wednesday.

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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

NO. 89—DID WILKES BOOTH ESCAPE?

BY VINCENT TOWNE

"The body buried in Greenmount was not that of Booth," declared Basil Moxley, a pallbearer at the alleged funeral of Lincoln's assassin in Baltimore.

"I do not believe that Booth was ever killed in that barn," added Moxley who for nearly a half century had been doorkeeper in Baltimore at the Holiday Street Theatre 'and at Ford's Opera House. He was a trusted friend of the Booth family and cyclopedia of information concerning the stage folk of his time.

Many men have shared Moxley's doubt as to the most commonly accepted version of the capture, shooting and burial of Lincoln's assassin. According to that version mented actor, after shooting the President, and after breaking leg while making his escape, took refuge in Garrett's tobacco barn, near Bowling Green, Virginia. The barn was surrounded by 28 veterans the 16th New York Cavalry, who, fearing to go in and capture one defiant man, set the building on fire and then shot Booth as he appeared | to take aim at his pursuers.

The commonly accepted story what next happened relates that Booth's body was sewed up in saddle blanket and carried aboard Booth, eldest nephew of John Wilkes the monitor Montauk, where it was laid in the carpenter's bunk of the turret. After an autopsy in Washington, it was placed in a pine gun box and secretly buried beneath the floor of a cell in the old Washington Penitentiary. After nearly four years had elapsed the great actor, Edwin Booth, persuaded President Andrew Johnson to allow the pine box to be having been initiated into the Knights removed to Baltimore for secret of the Golden Circle by Booth, he burial in Greenmount Cemetery.

have been advanced more than 50 theories to the effect that Wilkes Booth escaped to enjoy or, at least, experience life for a considerable time after his corpse was believed to have him for South America, where Booth USED IN THE BATTLE. molded in the grave. General Eckert, who was Assistant Secretary of War | Latin America. when Lincoln was assassinated who later became president of Western Union Telegraph Company, was once quoted as having confessed. to his nurse, on his deathbed, that with three other men he had taken the body of Booth out on Delaware Bay and thrown it into the water. A secret service man assigned to assassination was quoted as stating that the identification of the corpse supposed to have been Booth's was never satisfactorily made. Such winning success on the stage. doubts and contradictions reiterated by men closely concerned in the Albuquerque, San Francisco, and search for the assassin led to suspicion that greed for the \$75,000 was "located" at various times. Imreward offered for Booth by the Government resulted in the shooting of another man.

About a quarter century ago Laura Ida Booth (Mrs. L. A. Howard) an actress who has claimed to be the daughter of Wilkes Booth, announced that her father lived until 1903, when his long-troubled conscience led him to commit suicide at Enid, Oklahoma. A Memphis attorney, Finis L. Bates, who knew the Enid suicide and who believed him to have been Lincoln's assassin, published a book in support of the theory. Some years ago Mr. Bates appealed to the national House of Representatives to definitely de-

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THE BARN WAS FIRED BEFORETHE CAPTIVE WAS SHOT.

undertaker. In his communication to Congress, Mr. Bates stated:

"I knew Booth as John D. Heley that has never been solved. while living in 1872, and was asthe Fall of 1877, when we separated in western Texas, he going to Leadville, Col., and I returning to Memphis. Booth left with me a small This picture was taken some 12 years after the assassination of Lincoln and has been identified by Junius Brutus Booth, as being the picture of his uncle. It has also been identified by the famous actor, the late Joseph COOLIE Jefferson, and many others."

low in a hospital in Anderson, Indiana, is alleged to have unburdened his conscience by confessing that after ON PRAYA had been pressed to take part in a Since the black tragedy of '65 there kidnapping of President Lincoln, but that before the plan was carried out Booth killed the President. Accompanying the assassin to Philadelphia, Ritter claimed that he sailed with became "Enos," the famous actor of

According to another story, Booth to hospital for treatment. became an Episcopal clergyman and The fight followed an argument be-Booth. He continued to limp until the vessel "Fook On." death and failed also to disguise his love for liquor and his imperious temper. Still another story has it that the assassin spent the latter days of his life under the name of David E. George, and that he married a Kentucky window, their child, a daughter,

In New Orleans, Louisville, Denver, Montreal the man who shot Lincoln

termine the identity of the embalmed probable as the many theories as to corpse of the suicide, which, for his escape may seem, and after all of four years, had been kept by an Enid | them have been sifted out and discarded Wilkes Booth has nevertheless bequeathed to the world a mystery

Where lie the bones of the man sociated with him as my client until | shot in the Garrett barn, whose body was brought to Washington and dissected?

No one knows.

It is generally believed that the tintype for his future identification. mound alleged to mark the assassin's grave in Greenmount Cemetery, Baltimore, covers no human remains and that for fear of vandalism the Booth family hid the corpse.

About forty years ago one Christopher C. Ritter, while lying very GANG FIGHT

IN A 'GANG FIGHT BETWEEN SOME 30 COOLIES NEAR THE MACAO YESTERDAY, WHARF WHICH LASTED ALMOST HALF AN HOUR PASSERS-BY WERE HIT BY FLYING PIECES OF WOOD

A four-year-old boy standing on the pavement was injured and was sent

settled in a Georgia town, where he tween wharf coolies and "private" Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8. was visited by his brother, Edwin coolies over the removal of cargo from

JAPANESE TACKLING GUERILLAS

Seven hundred Japanese moved out of Shumchun yesterday morning, up the Kowloon-Canton Line, according to Chinese reports from the New Territories.

Japanese planes flew ahead of the troops. The Japanese "reoccupied" Tin Tong Wei and were yesterday afternoon reported moving further northwards to Wanglik.

WOMEN BACK FROM SHEKKI

Representatives of the five women's war relief associations who proceeded to Shek-ki last Friday on an inspection tour through war striken areas and on the front, returned this morning to Hong Kong.

The party was headed by Miss Hu Muk-lan, daughter of the late Mr. Hu Hon-min, who represented the Chinese Women's Relief Association.

Among the other were Miss Yung Mei-ying, of the Chinese Women's Club, Mrs. Wong Wah-lam, of the Chinese Y.W.C.A., and Miss Yung Hei-woon, of the Women's Soldiers' Relief Association.

THREE-DAY

Lo Tung, a shoe-black who pleaded guilty to manslaughter of another shoe black was this morning sentenced to three days' imprisonment by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions.

Mr. Lindsell said it was Clear from the evidence that there was no intention of causing grievous bodily harm. The shoe black died of injuries received during a fight.

Sentence dates from Friday, when the plea was taken.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.02 The police arrested seven of the and New York on London at £-U.S.\$3.89-7/8.



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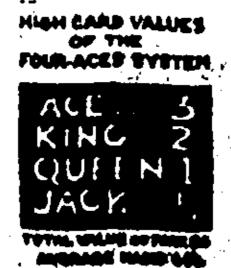
could be more unpleasant to con- Malowan, willing to sacrifice, bid six the opponents bid and make a ty, North decided to try for a Grand would certainly think long and earn- decide whether to make a further estly if the opportunity presented sacrifice or attempt to defeat his opitself to make a sacrifice bid and enormous bonus. In a recent rubber with this exact situation.

West, Dealer North-South vulnerable

♦ A 5 4 AKQJ8 Mr. Malowan _ A 1098 ▲ KQJ7 6 4 3 ♦ KQ83 Q 10 8 6 3 J 10 9 2

The bidding: South East North West Pass 6 ₺ Pass Pass Pass Pass

North's bidding is worthy of comment. His cue-bid of two spades over Mr. Malowan's bid of one spade



is the strongest type of "takeout double." This extremely useful bld is used by all fine players and means in effect: "Partner, have a very fine hand that includes firstround control of our opponents' suit (either the Ace or a void).

Take me out in your best suit and we will continue to game and possibly a Slam."

After North's cuc-bid East inter- | What do you bid? (Answer jected a shut-out bid of four spades, _ tomorrow.) which effectually silenced South. However North, still determined to Released by The Bell Syndicate, force his partner to show his best Inc.)

We believe our readers will agree suit, made a second cue-bid. After with us that no situation in Bridge | South's six-heart . takeout Mr. template than the prospect of having spades. Rather than accept a penalvulnerable Grand Slam. And we Slam, and Mr. Malowan then had to ponents. Mr. Malowan knew that "cheat" our opponents out of their his only possible defensive trick lay in diamonds. But, he reasoned, ungame Walter Malowan was faced less North held an exceptionally long, solid club suit, it was quite likely that South would be unable to obtain a sufficient number of discards.

This proved to be the case for, while South was able to throw two diamonds on dummy's club suit, he still had one loser which he could not get rid of and the Grand Slam was defeated.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

> V AQXX K 10 x & AXX

The bidding: Schenken You ' Burnstone Pass

ANSWER: Your correct bid is three hearts. You have splendid support for your partner and a tremendous high card holding, but it is unlikely that you can make a Slam unless partner can invite it.

Score 100% for three hearts, 60% for four hearts (should indicate more distribution and less high cards), 40% for two clubs or two diamonds (unnecessary artificial bids), 0 for other bids.

QUESTION NO. 262 You are the dealer and hold:

Fox-Trots-Little Drummer Boy; Once in a While....Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus. Fox-Trots-I've got the World on a String; Mood Indigo....Joe Para-

frain. Comedy Waltz - Dandelion, Daisy and Daffodil.....Billy Cotton & His Band with Vocal Chorus.

dise & His Music with Vocal Re-

Slow Fox-Trot-Me and the Moon ...Billy Cotton & His Band with Vocal Chorus.

Fox-Trots—The Sheep were in the Meadow; A Little Co-operation from You (From "Going Greek") Harry Roy & His Orchestra. with Vocal Refrain.

Tangos—Jalousie....Xavier Cugat & His Hotel Wardorfastoria Orch.; Tu Sais....Henry King and His Hotel Pierre Orch. with Vocal Refrain.

Fox-Trots—Be careful, Young Lady; A Little White Gardenia (Film "All the King's Horses")....Art Kassels & His Kassels-in-the-Air with Vocal Chorus.

Fox-Trots-Love's Old Sweet Melody....The Organ, the Dance Band & Me with Billy Thorburn at Piano, H. Robinson Cleaver at Organ and Vocal Refrain; Any Broken Hearts to Mend.....The Organ, The Dance Band And Me. 7.15 p.m.—The J. H. Squire Celeste

Octet. Valse Bluette—Air de Ballet (Drigo); Narcissus (Nevin) Operatica (Famous Operatic Melodies).

7.30 p.m.—LONDON—The News. 8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal. Weather Report and Announcements 8.03 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—"The Sleeping Princess" Suite-Sadjer's Wells

Orstraina. 8.30 King Songs by Augeliano Pertile (Temor) from Grand Opera. Gazing One Day into the Boundless

Blue ("Andrea Chenier"—Act 1— Giordano).....with New Symphony Orchestra.

Close to You ("Andrea Chenier" (Giordano)....M. Sheridan & A Pertile with the La Scala Orch. Our Death (Act 4-"Andrea Chenier") (Giordano)....M. Sheridan RECREIO HOCKEY & A. Pertile with La Scala Orch. 8.43 p.m.—Violin Solos by Szigeti.

Sonata No. 3 in D (Weber); Piece en forme D'Habanera (Ravel--Leduc); Study in Thirds (Scriabin —Op. 8, No. 10); Menuet (Debus-

sy-Dushkin); Tambourin Chinois

Kreisler) Kurt Ruhrseitz at the Piano. Danse Russe (From "Petrouchka"-Stravinsky); Norwegian Song-"Snow" (Sigurd Lie); Gavotte (From "Classical Symphony") (Prokostest, Op. 25)....Nikita de

Magaloff at the Piano. 9.05 p.m.—STUDIO — Comments on

Recent Events. 9.15 p.m.—LONDON—The News. 9.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording — "Zoo

'Oliday", Gert & Daisy visit the Zoo. The Book by Elsie & Doris Waters and Ashley Sterne. Lyrics by Elsie Waters. Music by Ashley Sterne. Produced by Charles Brewer.

10.25 p.m.—A Dance Programme. Fox-Trots—When a Woman Smiles; Good-bye, Little Dream, Goodbye....Jack Hylton & his Orch. Tangos-Mal de Ausencia; Pura Milonga.....Orquesta Tipica Fran-

cisco Canaro. Quickstep—Avalon; Fox-Trot — My Honey's Loving Arms....Val Rosing & his Swing Stars.

Fox-Trots-On Your Toes; There's a Small Hotel....Jack Hylton & his Orch. with Vocal Refrain. Fox-Trot—Speaking of the Weather

(Film "Gold Diggers of 1937").... George Elliott & his Sweet Music Makers with Vocal Refrain. Waltz-My Heart's in Old Killarney George Elliott & His Sweet Music

Makers with Vocal Refrain. Fox-Trot—Hot Time in the Old Town To-night Freddie "Schnickelfritz" Fisher

Band. 11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

ASOME'S HAT TRICK

In a friendly cricket match played at the Police Recreation Club yesterday, St. Joseph's College beat Police R. C. by 3 runs =

Police R. O.: 127 (H. Danbrowsky 89, H. G. Asome 4 for 42 including the hat trick, M. Mendonca 3 for 41). St. Joseph's Coffage: 130 (R. Silva

48, P. Rull 21, V. Mendonca 17, S. K. Khan 14, C. Pope:3 for 40, J. Lewis 3 for 40, D. Fyffe 1: for 4).

Club de Recreio beat Signals in the Association Hockey Tournament yesterday by two goals, scored by Sequeira and W. Reed in the first half.



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SATURDAY'S SPORT

NAVYLIGHT'S FAST LAST HALF MILE: LADY HOCKEY CHAMPIONS COMMENCE SEASON IN GREAT STYLE.

FIVE favourites — Confusion Bay left the Colony for an indefinite period. Black), Navylight (Mr. Moller), the wing and it is hoped his knee Wilber (Mr. Sung) and Royal High- injury will yield quickly to treatment. RACING ness (Mr. Needa) — He and Stewart are definitely our won at the Jockey best wing-threequarters. Club's 11th Extra Meeting on Satur- | In the next such game it would be day. Boolat Bay (Mr. Needa), Court- interesting to see how D. H. Taylor ing Eve (Mr. Pih) and Brutus (Mr. would fare at full-back, Wall at stand... Pih) were made favourites, but Boo- off and Fay at centre threequarter. lat Bay was the only one to place.

concerning Navylight's win in the excellent hooker and a definite asset Hong Kong St. Leger so I will say in the loose. only that it was a grand race in | Waite and Boe gave good displays every sense of the word. A compari- | for Army "A", and it seems a pity son of the times set by Navylight, that they should be left out of the Liberty Bay, which established the very soundly when he was able to China pony record on February 20, get near his man, but he is a little 1933, when winning the Challenge slow to recover. I understand, inthe only other contender, makes in- tennis player. teresting reading.

	Liberty Bay	Navylight
1st quarter	30.3	*/ * • •
2nd quarter	30.1	32.2
3rd quarter		31.3
4th quarter	29.2	31.4
.5th quarter	30.4	31.2
6th quarter	30.3	28.4
7th quarter	30.4	26.1
· ·	Liberty Bay	Navylight
Mile	2.00.3	2.07.1
134 Miles .	2.31.2	2.38.3
1½ Miles .	3.02.0	3.07.1
134 Miles .	3.32.4	3.33.1
Confusion	Bay's record	l-shattering

run over a mile compares as follows: with judicious passes. Last season

by a full second by Confusion Bay, out of the team. C.B.A. made a bold which was not extended by Bear Claw, experiment when they transferred which ran second to Rose Elect when Miss D. Moss from goal to centre-forit equalled the record earlier this ward, but it should not be long before year.

Wilber's win was a popular one and it must have encouraged its popular owner as a change of mafoo did not please Wilber very much. This temperamental little pony, however, came through just in time to snatch victory from Phoenix by a short head.

THE match between Club and Army ed better in the second half when she justified the innovation, and if Carter, Russell was more impressive as inside-Cochrane and Paul had been playing | right than at centre-forward. Mrs. RUGBY for the latter team as exciting a game as possible would probably have been witnessed. Stevens was missed from full-back and I understand he has



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(Mr. Black), Strathbannock (Mr. Richards again gave a fine display on

Castleton seems assured of a regu-Enough has been written and said lar place in the Club pack, being an

which led all the way round, and mixed matches. Bax again tackled Cup from Gay Crusader (Mr. Wong), cidentally, that he is a very useful

THE Caer Clark Cup League season has started, and "Y" Ladies, champions for the past three seasons, look to have a very useful team. Miss Bockler, centre-forward last season, did very well on the left-wing and showed good combination with Gardner, while Mrs. Starbuck, back to the game after an absence of two seasons, showed up promisingly at centre-half. Miss M. McCaw gave an excellent display at right-half, tackling well and feeding her forwards 3rd 4th [she played at centre-half, but she is qr. qr. settling down amazingly well to her Confusion Bay 27.0 27.3 29.2 30.0 new position. Miss Stokes was not Diana Bay (1933) 27/3 27.2 29.4 30.1 so impressive at left-half and she will Rose Electi(1939) 29.1 27.2 28.3 29.4 have to improve greatly if she is to The record of 1.55.0 was bettered keep the indisposed Miss K. Pocock they discover that Miss Moss is much more valuable between the posts. Miss I. Woolley, Interport captain, worked hard to hold up the champions' fastmoving attack, but she did not receive the necessary support.

"Y" Ladies' juniors did better than expected when they held C.B.A. to a goalless draw in the Brawn Cup series. Mrs. V. Bradbury, inside-right, playand Police and Navy clearly went to centre-forward, while Miss S. Herrington did well in goal and saved "Y" a point. Miss E. Woolley was the only dangerous C.B.A. forward, and she required very close watching. Mrs. Mackay, formerly of Seaforths' Ladies, was a bulwark in defence, her hardhitting being one of the features of the game.

> Miss Marr again gave a dazzling display for H.K. Ladies, and opposing lefthalves are in for fireworks # I am not mistaken. Possessing not only speed and ball control, she flashes across perfect centres. Miss Gray was very sound in their defence, while for C.B.S. Miss J. Moss excelled at centre-forward, Miss B. Goodwin was very reliable in defence and Miss S. Rousseau did well at right-half.

DUE to camp, most leading cricketers had a day-off. At Sookunpoo, however, University held an I.R.C. "A" team to 3 wickets, S. Mahmood secur-CRICKET ing 6 for 43 after at one time having 6 for 13. G. A. Goodban, Headmaster of D.B.S., flogged the School bowling to hit 19 boundaries in his 104 retired for K.C.C. juniors. Barros of Recreio scored 54 out of 72 against C.B.S., who were dismissed for 35. Whatman, Godby and Ratcliffe all topped the half century in the game at Sookunpoo.

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ASSOCIATION RALLY IN SECOND HALF

(By "REFEREE")

In spite of a great improvement in the Hong Kong Football Association team after the interval, Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation won the first game of the Governor's Cup competition by 5 goals to 3 before a large crowd.

Both sides were forced to make several changes. Bright and Honniball were brought in at right and lefthalf respectively, in place of Wikinson and Coles, while Mak Shui-hon took the place of Lee Kwok-wai at back for the Chinese team. Other changes in the Federation well and contented himself with makand Lau Chi-tsun left-half.

The Chinese were far the better team in the first half and but for the good work of Hendy and Sheehan they would have held a bigger lead at the interval than 4 goals to 1.

Williamson had his first real test against Lee Wai-tong and did as well as could be expected. Bright, at righthalf, started shakily but improved greatly in the second half and more than held his own against Hau Chingto. In the first half he sent Fowler through with several neat passes and in the second period was again prominent with his distribution.

Honniball, brought in at the last minute, was in great form and did very well against the wily Fung Kingcheong and Yeung Shui-yick. He was often hasty in his clearances but his tackling and feeding were good, particularly in the first half.

them out of position several times. Robinson brought off several good | Heartened by these successes the

from all directions.

Combination was lacking in the fore time. attack. Middleton, on the left-wing, was speedy and sent over several good centres, while Thorburn, his weight to good advantage.

Hossack sent in some hard drives but he was too inclined to hold on to the ball and was often robbed. He had hard luck on two occasions when he missed the post narrowly.

A. V. Gosano distributed the ball team were Hsu King-seng as pivot ing the openings for the other forwards. Fowler, on the right wing, was good in spasms but he spoiled many chances by slowness in passing.

Lee Ting-sang and Mak Shui-hon wan were not so steady under pressure. Mak was erratic in his clearances and his placing of the ball left much to be desired.

The Chinese intermediate line was a hard working trio. Hsu King-seng, in the pivotal position, shone with his tackling and generally had the better of Hossack, while on his left Lau Tinsang gave him good support.

CHINESE SCORE FIRST

The Chinese opened the scoring early in the first half through Chow Man-chi and a few minutes later Lee Wai-tong netted after Robinson had left his goal. Chow and Lec again scored before the interval, Hossack reducing the arrears from a perfect pass from Gosano.

In the second half the Association Sheehah and Hendy played well as team did most of the attacking and a pair but short interpassing forced were rewarded by two goals through Gosano and Fowler.

saves, and in the first half was kept Association team crowded on prescontinually on the move with shots sure and Cheung Wing-choi was repeatedly called on to save. Young FORWARDS LACK COMBINATION | Shui-yick made the game safe for the Chinese when he scored shortly be-

KUMAONS WIN

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SATURDAY'S SPORT

Continued from Page 17) **POLICE** wasted many opportunities. against St. Joseph's by sending in long range shots which Tsang dealt with ease. The Police forwards also FOOTBALL hung on to the ball too long when on

the attack with the result the Saints were given time to recover.

South China "A" made changes in their team and were not seen at their best against Middlesex, who were unlucky not to secure both points. The Chinese badly missed Fung Kingcheong and Leung Wing-chiu, both of whom were on the injured list.

Engineers, playing 10 men soon after the start, did well to beat Kwong Wah kins, Findlay in attack, and Hodgson by the odd goal. For Kwong Wah, Lam and Taylor in defence. Minshull Ching-fong was a clever custodian, goal had an off day and did not shine. while Chin Chi-fun and Henry International were best served Young were often dangerous in the Campos and Rocha.

forward line, and had they been bet- C.R.C. PAIR might have schred more than once.

No fault could be found with the Engineers' side as every player gave of his best.: Chong Cheung-pak, leftback, and Howton, centre-forward, were particularly outstanding, although Howton was not seen to the best advantage as he was too well watched. -

International were very unfortunate not to have beaten 20th Heavy Battery, as Delgado, their pivot, put through his own goal in a melee in the goalmouth during the last few minutes of the game.

The pick of the Gunners were At-

Tsui Yan-pui and Miss Yeung Waibun reached the Final of the Colony Mixed Doubles Tennis Championship yesterday when they beat Lieut. Col. J. S. Smith and Miss M. Griffiths 6-2, 6-4.

They will now meet either Lee Wai-tong and Mrs. Chui Chun-chui or the winners of the game between T. A. Pearce and Mrs. Whitham and W. C. Hung and Mrs. E. Lo-Litton.

The Final will be played on Saturday next at Chinese Recreation Club, starting at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell will distribute the prizes.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

The following were the results of games played in the Softball League yesterday:

Women's League Wildcats 30, Cubs 8. Wahoos 15, Ball Club 0. Cardinals 12, Panthers 11. Recreio 10, Pirates 4. Men's League.

Trojans 6, Liga 2. Ball Club 12, CBA 1. Recreio 3, U.S.S. Asheville 2 (9 inns).

TSUI AND KONG WIN

The Men's Doubles Championship of Chinese Recreation Club, was decided yesterday, when Paul Kong and Tsui Yun Pui beat Luk Ding Cheung and Wong Shiu-wing, 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 in the Final.



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By Order,

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th Nov., 1939.

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CZECHS AND POLES CONSULT

London, To-day. Before returning to Paris yesterday, General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, had long discussions with Dr. Benes, the Czech leader.

On Saturday, General Sikorski was in conference with Dr. Hodza, the former Czech Foreign Minister.

Before leaving, General Sikorski, re-emphasised Poland's determination and collaboration with the Allies.

He had been deeply moved by the sympathy and encouragement he had received in Britain, notably from Their Majesties the King and Queen. A powerful re-constituted Polish Army would soon be ready.—Reuter.

BELGIAN

London, To-day. Late last night it was reported that two more ships had struck mines and had been damaged, by mines laid off the Belgian coast.

One man was killed and four injured on one of the ships.

Mines have been washed up on the Belgian coast and have exploded, causing some damage.—Reuter.

OF FORTH HAS FIRTH RAID ALARM AIR

LONDON, TO-DAY. AN AIR RAID WARNING WAS GIVEN IN THE FIRTH OF FORTH REGION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. | though the fighters were up for over Six machines were reported out to an hour.—Reuter.

BENES AND SIKORSKI CONFER

London, To-day. Dr. Edouard Benes, ex-President of Czecho-Slovakia, and General Sikorski, Premier of Poland, had a long interview at the Polish Embassy yesterday.

General Sikorski afterwards said: "There is a common decision to repair the damage done to our countries."-Reuter.

MONTHS FOR RECEIVER

BEFORE MR. T. J. HOUSTON THIS MORNING, HO SAI-CHEUNG (25), WAS CHARGED WITH STEAL-ING MILITARY CABLE FROM THE HILLSIDE NEAR ABERDEEN RE-SERVOIR, THE PROPERTY OF THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

An electric shop master, Tse Ping,

was charged with receiving. It was stated that some 1,400 yards of cable had been stolen from the neighbourhood during the last few months.

Sergeant Estall said second desendant Tse was formerly a policeman.

Mr. Houston, passing sentence, said that in many countries, people would be shot for stealing telephone wire during war time.

He was fined \$100 or 10 weeks' hard labour, while Tse was sent to prison for six months.

sea heading towards the naval base and British fighter aircraft went up to meet them.

No sign of the raider was detected



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It is announced by the naval authorities that commencing today, all small craft (including lighters) constructed of iron or steel and wooden craft, if loaded with iron or steel, are prohibited from proceeding South of the Anti-Submarine Boom or North of a line drawn across the entrance to the Tathong Channel from Cape D'Aguilar towards the South Nine Pin Island in a direction '060 deg, without special permission.

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